

MAYOR PROPOSES NURSING BOARD

Pay Tribute To Newmarket Lad As Statesman Of Vision And As 'Varsity Federation Architect

University Of Toronto Recalls Fruitful Vision
Of Sir William Before He Went To Ottawa

Sir William Mulock's services to the University of Toronto were recently marked by a special meeting of the university senate and a public meeting in the university's convocation hall. Sir William will mark his 99th birthday on Jan. 19.

A senate resolution called him the "architect" of the university and recalled his services since "a day in September, 1859-83 years ago—when he came to Toronto from his home in Newmarket to write his matriculation examinations in old Moss hall, and he was one of the first group of undergraduates to enter the portals of University College when the college opened for instruction a few weeks later."

The resolution sets out how he overcame old enmities and brought into university federation University College, St. Michael's College, Victoria University, Ontario Agricultural College, Ontario College of Pharmacy and Ontario Veterinary College, how he was responsible for the revival of the faculty of medicine, and how he played a leading part in the development and expansion of the university in many directions.

His principal periods of service were as vice-chancellor from 1881 to 1900, when his duties at Ottawa made it necessary for him to resign, and as chancellor from 1924 to the present.

In replying to the senate resolution Sir William recalled the struggles of Family Compact days. In 1828 King's College, now University College, came into existence as a state-endowed university, receiving from the government a substantial grant of public lands, and its professors were required to be Anglican clergymen, although the majority of the population of the province did not belong to the Anglican faith. Methodists were refused a charter to enable them to establish a college of their own. Anglicans were given such a charter, Sir William recalled.

Addresses were made to Sir William by President W. T. Brown of Victoria University, President C. I. Christie of A.C., and by Dr. W. E. Gallie,

dean of the faculty of medicine. In replying to Dr. Christie Sir William recalled how he met the objections of a professor of Greek to bringing O.A.C. into the university by asking him "which he considered more useful to our country the Greek root (participle) or the succulent mangel wurzel."

After recalling the early rivalries and "bitter antagonisms," Dr. Brown said: "There was needed a man of wisdom who would recognize that there are two great institutions in human society which have vital interests in the cause of education—the church and the state; that each of them has definite contributions to make to any adequate educational program, and neither of them can be faithful to its trust if it neglects its duty in this important sphere of life. There was needed a statesman of innate fairness and unquestioned integrity who could command the confidence of all groups, one with breadth of mind and tolerance of spirit who could respect the convictions of others and yet seek to unite them in a common effort, one who had a vision of a university so comprehensive and so worthy that he could challenge educational institutions, proud of their inheritance, to make great sacrifices for it, knowing that its cause was, in reality, their cause."

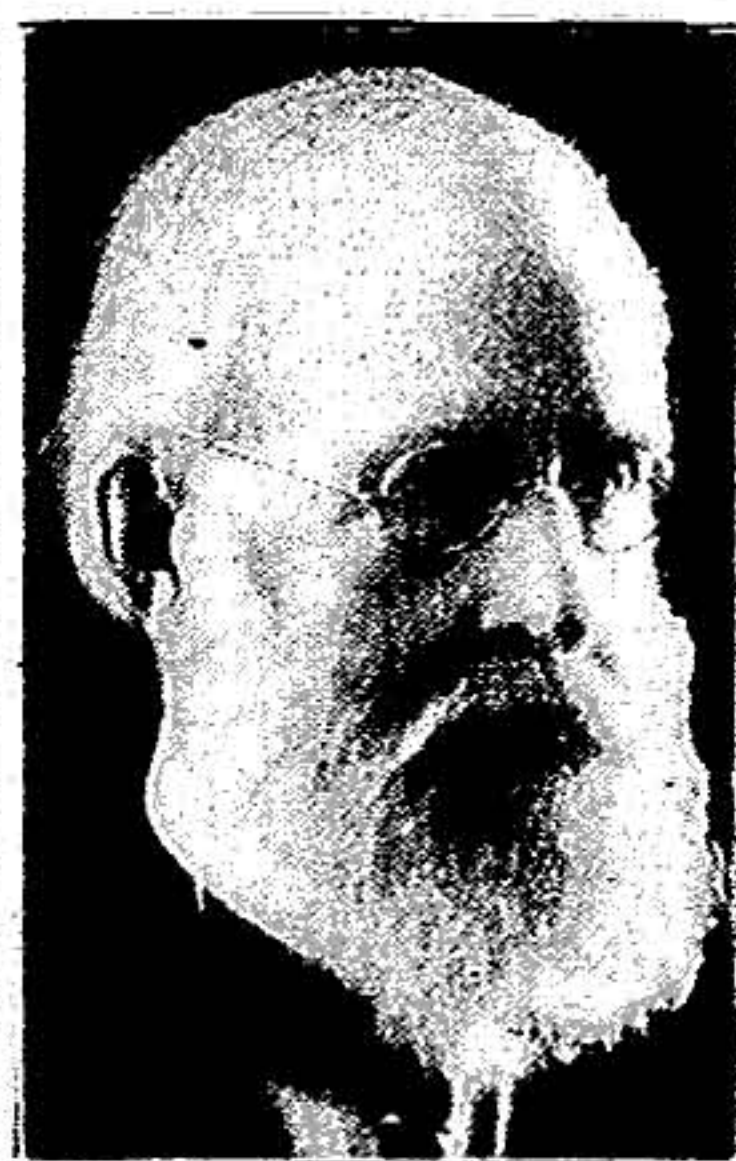
"It is to the glory of this province that over 60 years ago one of her own sons, a graduate of University College, measured up to these high qualifications and was willing to devote his outstanding abilities to the accomplishment of this great purpose."

WAS WM. DOAN

In the Newmarket Lions club list of donations in last week's issue, it should have read, Wm. Doan, \$5, instead of Wm. Dixon.

BOO, IT'S COLD

The waterworks thermometer registered 22 degrees below zero at 8 o'clock this morning.



SIR WILLIAM MULOCK

"Service To Needy Better Memorial Than Stone"

MRS. HANCE PRAISES LIONS' WORK, BELIEVES IN PREVENTION

Editor, The Era and Express: In renewing my subscription, may I include my best wishes for a prosperous and happy New Year to your staff, also to any of my old schoolmates and friends still residing in the "home town."

Several times I (almost) decided to do without the "Era," because I find very few names mentioned in it that I recognize—after 48 years' absence, but, having been a reader of it as long as I can remember, and a subscriber nearly ever since I left the town, when I failed to receive my copy missed it (almost like the visit from an old friend).

So many changes have taken place there, but that is my birthplace and the village to which my father brought my mother (a bride) nearly 88 years ago. So it is only natural that my interest therein should be kept alive. Consequently I am continuing to take the "home" paper that I may keep in touch with the welfare of the town.

Am greatly interested in all the activities of the different organizations and the wonderful work they are doing in connection with the war needs. The Lions club is deserving of every co-operation, as it is doing real health missionary work by fitting out handicapped children to have equal chances with those more fortunate.

The question of employing a public health nurse for the town has been anxiously watched over too (with its pros and cons) for having done much work in a similar capacity, I know whereof I speak, and am hoping to hear that some means will be found to provide such a right hand, not only for the M.I.O., but for any and all physicians of the locality. It does not pay to be penny wise and pound foolish, where health is concerned.

If Newmarket should ever face another epidemic such as swept through that town about 60 years ago, when diphtheria took one, two, and even three children out of several families, it would then realize that an ounce of prevention is worth a pound of cure.

Rochester, N. Y., and many other U. S. cities, have been given the services of a visiting nurse whose salary was paid by a family (or friends) in memory of some departed member and how much more worthwhile to honor the dead by benefitting those in need than to put the money into a marble monument or a stained glass window. From my own point of view it is money well invested.

Helena Haskett-Hance.
Mrs. Benj. M. Hance,
Macedon Center, N. Y.
Jan. 1, 1943

THEATRE ENTERTAINS

The soldiers of the military camp were guests of the Strand theatre on Tuesday afternoon to see the motion picture, "Moscow Strikes Back."

NEWSPAPER ASKS KINDLY ACCEPTANCE

With this issue The Era and Express goes on a 100 percent paid-in-advance basis, a policy which was followed, with the approval of all readers, by one of the amalgamating newspapers. Subscribers to the other amalgamating newspaper have been good about accepting the standard paid-in-advance practice, and most of those in arrears have brought their subscriptions up to date. There were less than 100 in arrears at the end of the year, and these subscriptions have now been discontinued.

Incidentally, newsprint has now been rationed as of Nov. 1, 1942, and all legitimate mailing list economies are now imperative.

The weekly press run of The Era and Express during December was about 2,900 copies.

RECEIVE CABLEGRAM

Mr. and Mrs. F. E. Cook received a cablegram from their son, Tpr. Harold Cook, who is in England, sending them Christmas and New Year's greetings.

ATTEND CITADEL

The Newmarket Veterans attended the special day of prayer service held in the Salvation Army citadel on Sunday evening. The service opened with "O God Our Help In Ages Past" and the national anthem.

Capt. F. W. Brightwell spoke on "Answered Prayers." "Fight the Good Fight," was sung as the closing hymn.

HONORED ON ANNIVERSARY

Mr. and Mrs. Archie Mair celebrated their silver wedding on New Year's Eve. They received many cards and flowers and a purse of silver from friends.

If you need something, first try to buy a used one.

RECEIVES COMMISSION

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HISTORIC VILLAGE LACKS RULERS AS RESULT OF VENDETTA, NOMINATION MEETING NO. 3 CALLED

Holland Landing, founded by Governor Simcoe and once the chief industrial centre north of Toronto in Upper Canada, is having difficulty in securing rulers for 1943.

The Landing was for many years an incorporated village but, as a result of population losses, about ten years ago its citizens decided to give up their village status and to become part of East Gwillimbury township.

As a result Holland Landing is a "police village" and its purely local affairs are handled by three village trustees.

Last year's trustees were Irwin Tate, Aubrey Stephenson and Frank Stephenson.

Eight candidates for trustees were named at a nomination meeting on Monday, Dec. 29, but only one nominee, Samuel Deans, signed the necessary qualification papers.

Another meeting was called for Monday, Jan. 5, by the returning

GIVES DONATION

The Newmarket Veterans' Comforts fund received a donation of \$1 from Mrs. Cecil Shropshire.

RECEIVE MORE DONATIONS

The following donations have been received by the Newmarket Veterans' Association for their soldiers' comforts fund: Mrs. Chas. Stickwood, \$2; St. Andrew's Presbyterian church choir, \$24.50; Fred Thompson, 50 cents.

IN THE FIGHT FOR FREEDOM

Doings of those serving their country on land, on the sea, and in the air.

Contributions welcomed for this column—Phone 780.

Spr. Burt Playter, R.C.E. of Lethbridge, Alta., spent Christmas and New Year's with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Frank Playter.

Pte. Lillian Flanagan of Kitchener spent the weekend at the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Hugh Flanagan.

Cpl. Merv. L. Broughton of the R.C.O.C. has returned to Brockville, where he is stationed, after spending the past 14 days leave with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Broughton.

Cpl. Fred Cumber, Barriefield, Kingston, spent New Year's with his mother, Mrs. T. G. Cumber, and family.

Bdr. N. L. Park was home from Sussex, N. B., for New Year's. Gnr. Jas. Ennis, Hamilton, spent New Year's at his home here.

Flt.-Sgt. George Johns has returned to Brantford after spending two weeks' leave with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. A. F. Johns.

L.-Cpl. Roy Sanderson of Camp Borden spent New Year's at his home here.

LAC Arthur Coltham spent a week's leave with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Jas. Coltham, before reporting to manning pool, Toronto. He has been stationed at Calgary.

Pte. Louis Royan, Regina, Sask., who is stationed at Hamilton, spent New Year's with his sister, Mrs. Chas. VanZant, and Mr. VanZant.

Capt. Z. S. Phimister of Windsor and AC2 Geo. Phimister of Exeter spent five days New Year's leave with their mother, Mrs. L. Phimister.

Pte. Laura Huston of Kitchener and Pte. Gordon Morrill of Camp Borden spent the Christmas weekend with Pte. Huston's mother, Mrs. N. Huston.

Pte. Ernest Travis, Hamilton, spent Christmas and New Year's with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Wellington Travis.

Irwin S. Young, of Brant, Alberta, who is with the R.C.A.F. in Quebec, spent New Year's leave with his uncle, Mr. Fleming Young.

LAC Stan. Evans of Camp Borden and Pte. Albert Evans of Brampton spent New Year's holidays at their home on Lydia St.

Dvr. Helen Brymer, C.W.A.C., who has been stationed at Newmarket camp for several months, left Wednesday for headquarters, Toronto.

L.-Cpl. A. C. West of the Queen's York Rangers spent New

IS NAVY STAR



First Class Stoker Hugh Mair is with the R.C.N.V.R. in Toronto. Born in Newmarket, Hugh has played hockey with Aurora, Toronto Marlboros and St. Catharines and is now a member of the navy team in Toronto. He is a son of Mr. and Mrs. Archie Mair, Newmarket.

RECEIVES COMMISSION



Pilot-Officer J. Ivan Atkins is spending a few days leave with his father, Herbert Atkins, and his sister, Miss Alberta Atkins. He received his wings last Wednesday at Malton and yesterday received word that he had been granted a pilot-officer's commission. He joined the R.C.A.F. last March.

Year's leave in town. Cadet Wesley Niles of O.T.C., Three Rivers, Que., spent New Year's day with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Niles.

ACI Harry Elliott, stationed at Angus, spent New Year's leave at his home here.

Gnr. Clarkson Graham of Moncton, N. B., has returned after spending his New Year's leave with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Graham, Newmarket.

GIVEN SURPRISE PARTY

A few friends and neighbors gave Mrs. Harold Evans a surprise party last night in her new home, to welcome her and her parents, who are living with her for the winter. Mrs. Evans moved last week from 9 Tecumseh St., to 18 Victoria Ave., the house occupied for nearly forty years by the late Mr. and Mrs. John Rosamond.

SNOWFALL TIES UP COUNTRY HIGHWAYS

One of the heaviest snowstorms for some time blocked many district roads on Sunday night. From eight to ten inches of snow fell overnight in Aurora. Snow fell to a depth of eight inches in Newmarket over night. The roads to the military camp were kept open. The temperature dropped to eight below in Newmarket on Tuesday night, but was ten above on Wednesday morning.

The tiny village of Baldwin faced isolation for the second time this year as roads to surrounding centres were blocked. Residents will have to travel on foot to obtain provisions from Sutton for it is reported that the snow is even too deep for horses. Sunday night's fall supplemented a heavy blanket of snow which fell at Sutton last week. A strong off-lake wind is keeping the roads drifted. The county road from Sutton to Newmarket was blocked and snowplows were put into action to open the roads for motor traffic.

Kettleby, west of Aurora, faced isolation as the snow was filling in as fast as it was plowed off the roads.

Too Much Spending, Lean Years Ahead, Is Banker's Warning

Mayor Welcomes New Member, J. A. Perks, To Town
Council, Representative Citizens Give Messages

"The election is over and we welcome Mr. Allan Perks to the council," Mayor Dr. L. W. Dales said in his inaugural address at a town council meeting on Monday evening. "You are fortunate, Allan, in having a strong body of public sentiment behind you, and we are sure that your counsel and advice will be as helpful to us as our somewhat longer municipal experience will be to you."

"No one obtains his own way all the time and there must be argument and compromise," Dr. Dales continued. "I maintain, in spite of opinion to the contrary, that harmony is the basic strength of the town council."

"From the various suggestions given to us by our invited speakers tonight, we might take to heart and study the possibility of doing more in the war effort. This, however, is more of a personal matter than administrative."

"The new licenses for 1943 are ready. Don't throw the old ones away. They will be collected for salvage. Only one new plate is given for each car. The town council will help with this collection."

"The matter of nursing service for the town will come before the council. I will propose a generous grant toward the maintenance of a town nurse under the plan outlined last fall, and I hope that those who are interested will be willing to act on a municipal nursing board and direct the services required."

"There are no planned outlays for this year and the tax rate should not be higher."

"Finally, I ask your wholehearted support in buying war bonds and certificates, providing comforts for our men and women in the forces, the willingness to endure restrictions and loyal and patriotic support of our government and of all the many war causes."

Rev. J. A. Koffend of St. Andrew's Presbyterian church addressed the councillors briefly. He stressed the importance of their office and the responsibility owed by them to the citizens of Newmarket.

In addition to the work being done by the women of Newmarket, through the Soldier-Citizen club, the men of Newmarket should put forth a greater effort for the comfort of the soldiers, suggested H. E. Lambert, manager of the Bank of Toronto.

Mr. Lambert congratulated last year's council on its administration of the town's affairs. Speaking of the absence of unemployment, Mr. Lambert said that people are (Cont'd on Page 4, Col. 7)



MAYOR L. W. DALES

George Vale Resigns After Two Decades Of Service

TOWN COUNCIL MAKES
APPOINTMENTS TO MUNICIPAL BOARDS

Resignation of George Vale as town auditor was received at the inaugural meeting of the town council on Monday evening. Mr. Vale has served as auditor for 24 years.

In his last audit of the town's books a year ago Mr. Vale made strong criticism of the town's bookkeeping system as inadequate and recommended installation of a complete new set of books. Mr. Vale recommended also that the town obtain additional office space. The second recommendation has been carried out. The first remains to be done.

The council made a number of appointments. It re-named J. E. Nesbitt to the Newmarket high school board for a three-year term.

It also named G. Wellington Curtis poundkeeper and dog license collector; G. W. Curtis, F. O. R. Simpson and Robt. Howlett as fence-viewers; W. W. Osborne, Joseph Brammar and John Gibson as first, second and third engineers of the fire brigade.

The council re-named W. J. Patterson as representative of the council on the board of health, which will consist of Dr. J. H. Wesley, M. O. H., Mr. Patterson and Mayor Dr. L. W. Dales. (Page 4, Col. 5)

Coming Events

Insertions under this heading one cent per word per week. minimum charge 25 cents a week, if paid within six days, otherwise 25 cents additional. There is no cheaper advertising for any event.

Friday, Jan. 8—Newmarket Red Cross dance in the high school auditorium. Art West's orchestra. Admission \$1.50 per couple. Reserve this date. c2w44

Sunday, Jan. 10—All skiers wishing transportation to the ski club meet at Deer and Byers at 1:30 p.m. c1w40

Friday, Jan. 15—Newmarket Veterans euchre for the soldiers' overseas comforts fund will be held in the town hall at 8 p.m. Admission 25c. Good prizes. c3w48

Friday, Jan. 15—At 3 p.m. the annual meeting of the Red Cross Society will be held in the Citizens' Soldiers' club room. See particulars elsewhere in this issue. c2w48

Thursday, Jan. 21—Sunday, Jan. 24—Don't miss the district quarterly meeting and holiness convention with Bishop William Penrice at the Newmarket Free Methodist church. This man of God, the senior bishop of the church, will stir your soul with the true gospel! c2w46

Friday, Jan. 22—First annual social evening and dance sponsored by Norman Brunt (of Riverdale Park) at Royal York, Crystal Ballroom, Toronto, 9 p.m. to 1 a.m. Dancing and cards. Dress optional. Single tickets \$1, at Morrison's, Newmarket, or Royal York. c2w46

Butter Production Said To Aid Farm Fertility

REEVE SIBBALD SEES OLEO-MARGERINE RESTRICTIONS AS HELP TO FARMS

Editor, The Era and Express: For many years different governments have been selling to the farmer the policy of mixed farming. The production of butterfat has been one of the foundations of this.

Skim milk left after the cream is separated is used to feed the calves and young pigs. This makes it possible to feed other crops produced on the farm. As a result, valuable fertilizer is left on the farm, to keep up the fertility of the soil, which otherwise would not be available, if the crops were not fed to livestock on the farm. The farms in Ontario would rapidly deteriorate in productivity, if this type of farming was allowed to go under.

Anything that would decrease the production of butter would be a serious blow to mixed farming.

If the restrictions are lifted on the manufacture of oleomargarine it would be a retrograde step of the worst kind. Only two years ago there was so much butter in the country we did not know what to do with it. Today, owing to greater consumption, the fumbling of government in the handling of subsidies, and the production difficulties the farmer is having owing to the shortage and cost of help, we are having a shortage during the winter months.

Surely our people are alive to the fact, the farmer has been having a struggle for years. Most of them would be willing to tighten their butter belts a

ACCLAIMED



Confidence has been expressed in Reeve J. D. Sibbald (above) and members of Georgina township council. They return to office by acclamation.

little more, rather than see them drift into a peasantry. A prosperous farming community means a prosperous Canada.

Yours truly,
J. D. Sibbald.
The Briars,
Jackson's Point,
Jan. 2, 1943.

HELP SNOWPLOWS

Mayor Dr. L. W. Dales has requested that business people keep their cars off Main St. in order to facilitate the removal of snow.

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NEW TOWN, NEW CANADA

"I will see plenty of changes when I get home. It will be like going into a new town."

So writes a Newmarket soldier overseas to the Newmarket Veterans Association. What a challenging New Year message to us, the people of Newmarket!

Will Newmarket really be different when the boys come home? If so, in what particulars?

Will it be outwardly? New municipal office, new store fronts, new homes? Plans for better sidewalks and wider Main St.?

Will it be in the things that are not seen? In a new spirit of co-operation, friendliness, give-and-take, in spirit of progress and tolerance? In an effort to live more for others and less for ourselves? In an effort to develop and share the democracy for which Newmarket's boys overseas are fighting?

We should not expect these boys to come back to the old conditions of unemployment for many, drifting, hopelessness, insecurity when employed, limited opportunities for health, education and success for their own children in turn.

Another fine New Year message comes to us from R. C. Smith & Son advertising agency, Toronto, and describes the attitude which must be ours if we are to meet the challenge of the New Year message from overseas with which we began:

"A tiny seedling when Edward III was King of England—a forest giant 127 years old when Columbus discovered America—the old tree stood guard over the whole colorful pageant of adventurers and seamen, soldiers of the crown and of the cross, statesmen and rugged pioneers who played their part in the making of Canada, and then passed on their way. And now—while still greater scenes are taking place on a world stage—the old elm is crumbling into dust."

"Old ideas, old ways of life and thought are, too, being uprooted. It is a time for new thoughts, new ideas, new vision, and a renewed faith in this, our Canada. And New Year is a time for new thinking. The past is gone, and most of it we can see depart without regret. But the future is ours to use—for that new life which shall make a greater Canada than yet has been."

"WE CAN PLAY ROUGH TOO"

There are some ancient lines which say: "How happy is he born or taught, that serveth not another's will; whose armor is his honest thought, and simple truth his utmost skill!"

Truth is not only our best armor, it is our best weapon. No doubt we make some use of falsehood in the war of nerves, and no doubt it serves a purpose. We make even greater use, however, of truth in our political warfare, for we are in the happy position that the truth is to our advantage. We would like the Germans to know of the better economic conditions in Allied countries. We would like them to know of the excellent food which Axis prisoners receive in this country. We would like them to know of our growing military strength. We would like them to know that we have no designs on their territory. All those truths are designed to weaken their will to fight.

The winning of this war, however, is no more important than the establishment of a lasting peace. We might just as well lose the war as to have to fight another and more dreadful one every 25 years. We need to be armed with honest thought both to win the war and to win a permanent peace. What statesmen do at the peace table will reflect what we, the people of the United Nations, think.

We must realize that war is brutal, and that there must be brutality on both sides. We can blame those who started the war, but we cannot fight back without being brutal too. There is nothing chivalrous and glamorous about battle, and there never was. The Germans start the war and we fight back. They are brutal and we too must be brutal. Even a war restricted to soldiers in uniform would be brutal, but there never was such a war. The killing of soldiers left widows and orphans. The carrying on of war always impoverished the home populations of the losers and often the home economy of the victors too. In the Great War the Germans killed women and children with their U-boats and we killed women and children with our blockade.

In this war the extension of the battle-fronts to the civilian populations is logical and possibly will do more than anything else to force the people of the world to give up war. The Nazis had indulged in brutality in their treatment of the Jews for years before the war started, and it was not uncommon to hear individuals in this country express approval of that brutality. Most of us heartily disapproved, but it was evident that even in this country a skeleton Nazi party could have been formed—and Hitler started with only a skeleton party!

It was natural that the Nazis who had beaten and harassed and killed their Jewish fellow Germans would not hesitate to attack civilian populations, and while we rained pamphlets on Germany the Nazis dropped bombs on Warsaw and Rotterdam. Within a year they were killing, with bombs, men, women and children of Britain. The British people called for retaliation, and Churchill said: "We can play rough too." We have been paying the Germans back in kind. Almost nightly our bombers drop bombs on German cities, in heavier attacks than the Germans were ever able to make on Britain, and we kill men, women and children by the hundreds, probably thousands.

We are brutal in our bombing of Germany, and we must be. Once war is joined, there is no choice. But, to achieve our ultimate aims, to bring lasting peace to the world, we must keep our minds clear. We must realize that we too have been brutal, that we too kill women and children,

and we should not join with those of our fellow citizens who shudder at German U-boat brutality. Let's restrict our shudders to Gestapo treatment of civilian populations—there is unlimited room there for our indignation. Total war is total war, and the Germans are going to use their U-boats just as ruthlessly as we use our bombers, and as they first used their bombers. And the U-boat crews won't feel any more conscience-stricken than our bomber crews. Many of them have probably by this time lost wives and children at home under United Nations' bombs. They are just doing what we are doing, trying to kill their enemies and destroy morale. We "play rough too."

We must do everything we can to win this war, and at the same time keep our minds clear so that we may be just and fair in making the peace, more concerned about eliminating the causes of war than about punishing aggressor nations, and determined to indict, in the new war-guilt clause, selfishness and greed wherever they may be found.

THOUGHTFUL PROVIDENCE

Orillia township is among rural municipalities taking a vote, or which have recently taken a vote, on public health services, the employment on salary of a doctor or a nurse or both.

It is our considered opinion that votes taken during these January storms, January cold and January "colds," will have a better chance of carrying than if taken in summer time or even in early December, when so many municipalities have their elections.

After spending the Christmas weekend helping to look after bedfast children, and after spending the New Year weekend bedfast oneself (and still there on a working day as we write), we have lots of time to reflect on the subject.

We suspect that the vigorous cold germ which has laid low this one particular family, got in its deadly work at a public schools Christmas concert in the town hall. The concert was marked by an intermittent chorus of coughing in a packed and poorly ventilated auditorium.

It is the sort of thing that probably wouldn't happen under the control of a public health nurse or a school nurse. An efficient nurse would have checked the spread of colds by keeping those who were ill home from school and certainly home from a gathering of all children from all three schools in the non-ventilation drafts of the town hall.

We do not sympathize especially with the family already cited, because we suspect that Providence sometimes takes these forceful methods of making editors see community shortcomings.

We do wonder how many homes there are in Newmarket today where there is unnecessary illness—children home from school, mothers and housewives in bed or carrying on when they shouldn't be, breadwinners and industrial workers at home or working at 50 per cent efficiency—all perhaps because a few children were not kept home from school when they had contagious or infectious colds or other ailments.

We do sympathize too, as a result of experience imposed again by a thoughtful Providence, with mothers who, with more than enough work to do ordinarily, have dropped upon them the additional strain of looking after sick children or other members of the family. We are sympathetic because it is so difficult for them to get help and because there is in the town no public health nursing service upon which they could call for a little help and advice.

People do not often feel like calling in a doctor to take temperatures and prescribe for colds and slight fevers. Nevertheless, a thermometer and a little help and advice often mean the saving of several days convalescence or the avoiding of more serious illness.

WHAT OTHERS THINK

DON'T SHOOT

(Fort Erie Times-Review)

It is said that in the old days a sign commonly seen in honky-tonks in the wild and woolly west read: "Don't shoot at the pianist; he's doing his best." Something similar in sentiment seems to have inspired the many protests which have been made of late against criticism of those government officials who are striving so manfully to guard us all against the dangers of inflation.

But consider the butter fiasco. Despite all the conflicting explanations, the ordinary citizen is beginning to believe that the history of the affair runs something like this: First, an uneconomic ceiling was placed on the price of butter which, at best, did not encourage production. A government subsidy was then offered for butterfat used in the making of cheese. While this brought about a surplus of cheese, it diverted butterfat from the creameries, so that the production of butter fell far below the growing demand for it.

Too late in the season, a subsidy was then paid for butterfat shipped to creameries—but this did little to relieve the shortage because it was overdue. When the scarcity became acute, the powers that be blamed the public for hoarding, neglecting to take into account the enormous quantity of butter consumed by the armed forces in this country—a quantity greatly in excess of that used by the men when they were civilians. The amount of butter in storage was then ordered reduced, although it was far below normal, and with complete disregard of the fact that this merely postponed a famine without adding one pound to the supply.

An advertisement was then published, again charging certain people with hoarding, stating that any shortage was merely local and temporary—and that there was no intention of employing rationing to meet the situation. Within three weeks rationing was put into effect.

In the face of such a performance can anyone be expected to have confidence that those responsible for it really know what they are up to? They may resent criticism, but they certainly invited it.

Also, the next time official assurance is given that any particular commodity is not to be rationed, it will be surprising if it does not result in an immediate surge of panic buying.

SPENDING SPREE

(Tweed News)

It was the hope of the governing authorities that, with the greatly increased earning power of the people, some of the money thus acquired in

what might be termed the piping times of war, would find its way into government bonds and war savings certificates as a buttress against the inevitable dislocation of the post-war period. These hopes seem to be falling far short of this realization. It is doubtful if this province, at least, has ever had such a spending spree as has characterized this festive season. Stores and places of entertainment have been virtually crowded to capacity and the liquor vendor shops have been doing a roaring trade.

It is true that steps have been taken to curtail the consumption of alcoholic beverages but apparently this reduction is slow in taking effect. In order to reduce the congestion and inconvenience to the public in the holiday season, the sales rule of one bottle of liquor per day to an individual was rescinded on Dec. 8 and it was set forth that holders of permits might purchase at one time six bottles per period of six business days, 12 bottles per period of 12 business days and 24 bottles per period of 24 business days. It was stipulated that any permit holder being served with any of the above quantities must not be sold liquor on a single purchase permit during the period for which he has obtained his allotment.

Evidently the rush was too great, for on Dec. 10 the Ontario liquor control board issued a new order, restricting purchases during Christmas week to a bottle each day for the four business days or to four bottles on any one day of that week to a person holding an individual permit. Thirsty customers who delayed giving their orders following the Dec. 8 ruling are now angry with the board for putting them on the one-bottle black list, although, at that, it is said that vendors in the principal cities and towns are finding it difficult to fill all their orders.

ITALIAN PRISONERS AS HARVESTERS

(Tweed News)

With the arrival in Canada of 900 Italian prisoners of war, the suggestion has been made that these men might be made available for production work in Ontario during the coming summer. There is a growing feeling that the Italians are better workers than fighters, and there is not the same antagonism towards them as there is towards the Germans. The thought of permitting German prisoners of war to work on Ontario farms would be anathema to all Canadians, not to say dangerous, in the extreme.

There is no doubt that the farm labor shortage will be much more acute in this province in 1943 in Canada is to fulfil her obligations to the old land in the matter of supplying vital items of food. It is contended that Italian war prisoners might be profitably employed in farm labor camps as one way of relieving the manpower shortage. In Britain in 1941, 30,000 Italian prisoners aided in the harvest. There the prisoners are divided into two groups—those which can be trusted to work without guard and those which are worked from internment camps.

Just how successful the proposed plan would prove would depend on the attitude of people in respect to the Italians. The experiment of employing Canadian-born Japanese from the Pacific coast in Ontario in beet culture was not crowned with particular success, owing to opposition to their employment in some communities. It is said there was no fault to be found with them as workers but due to the stories of the perfidy of the Japanese leaders and their treatment of prisoners of war, an inherent distrust of all Nipponese was engendered. The attitude of reaction to the Italians may be different and with the manner in which Italian soldiers are being rounded up in Egypt and Africa there would be no lack of prisoners of war to aid in the Canadian harvest.

PROFIT AND SERVICE

(Collingwood Enterprise-Bulletin)

A writer on economics, remarks the Renfrew Mercury, points out the futility of the parrot cry of "production for service and not for profit." Many people fail to realize that profits are the only means by which makers can continue to produce more and more to serve the public, the only means by which machinery and processes can be established to cut costs, and in many cases prices to consumers, in peaceful times. They could not have the foresight to see, it seemed evident, that only by a growing profit reserve could the inevitable ups and downs of markets, changes of taste, pressures of the business cycle, and adjustments to advances in science and invention be prepared for.

Up to recent days and even to a limited extent during the war, manufacturers and business men who wanted to make profits rather than losses, studied what the buying public liked and wanted, and tried to assess what citizens could pay. The consumer was king, and unless his money voted "yes," none could make profits out of any enterprise. There was growing variety and much to choose from. The mentalities of those who want production for service are shocked by such procedure. They would have government agencies make what they think the individual "should" have, and not what he might want.

HAPPY FAMILY

(Manchester Guardian Weekly)

There is, after all, no reason to be surprised that Lord Linlithgow should be asked to prolong his term as viceroy of India for another six months. He has been in full agreement, so far as is known, with the policy of the home government, both when it was making new proposals and when it was saying that no new proposals could be made. He has just decided, again fully agreeing with the government, that no one is to see the Congress prisoners even in order to find out whether the parties can come together, it being understood, of course, that nothing can be done until they do. It is not to be expected in such a situation, when a new viceroy would have to carry out the government's fixed negative

75 YEARS AGO

From The Era and Express files, Jan. 4, 1918

Over 300 attended the meeting in the town hall on Monday evening when nominations for

the town council were held. The first Sunday in January has been set aside by the king as a day of prayer. The Friends Sunday-school held their annual entertainment on Dec. 26.

The councils of Whitechurch, North Gwillimbury and Georgina

ships were all elected by acclamation. Nominations were also held in Aurora, Holland Landing, King, and East Gwillimbury. An attempt was made to steal the silverware at W. L. Shaw's home on Yonge St. during the Christmas holidays. Mr. Shaw

policy, that anyone should desire to take the post. So Lord Linlithgow, Mr. Amery, and the government remain together, a happy, silent family, patiently saying "No" to anyone who interrupts.

BLAME THE WAR, NOT US

(Dundalk Herald)

With this issue, and much against our will, the Herald goes on a war standard. Forced to it, due to a shortage of labor caused directly by the war, our depleted staff cannot continue to publish an 8-page all-home-print paper as has been done for the past four years. When recently a member of our staff enlisted and we sought to secure a replacement, we were informed by an official in close touch with the situation that it is almost an impossibility to secure skilled labor such as we required.

The publication of an 8-page all-home-print paper involves a tremendous amount of labor and with printers "almost impossible to secure" there is little we can do but face the facts and bow to the inevitable for the duration of the war.

Ours is not the only newspaper hit by war's far-reaching activities. More than one newspaper has been coming to this office lately, only half its original size, not because of a threatened rationing order, but because of shortage of help in the offices concerned, caused by enlistments and call-ups.

The editor would ask Herald readers to bear with us in this war emergency and accept this type of a newspaper till the labor shortage is remedied when this war is over and won. We give you our word that the Herald will return to an all-home-print newspaper as soon as possible. In the meantime we will do our level best to make the most of the space at our disposal.

WHERE THEY MAY LET THE CHIPS FALL

(Tweed News)

The editorial page of any newspaper is the sounding-board on which any editor should express his own personal opinions, right or wrong. We have often marvelled at the ease with which some editors turn out reams of material on subjects of local and national interest. For 20 years, Hugh Templin of the Fergus News-Record has been publishing a full page of editorials every week. Hugh enjoys the distinct advantage of being able to turn out his copy directly on the linotype machine and in this many editors are under a handicap. The saving of time permits him to fill six columns every week in the year and he has no trouble in doing it. His opinions are mostly centred on events in and around Fergus but he does not confine his efforts to that field alone and usually delves into something of national interest as well.

There are some outstanding editorial writers in the weekly field and their papers are widely quoted in the press of the province. J. H. Cranston of the Midland Free Press has one of the finest editorial pages of the exchanges reaching our desk. It reflects the deep thought of the author who was for 25 years editor of Toronto Star Weekly. Ed. Johnston of the Fort Erie Times-Review sees his editorials quoted in many of the city dailies while George James of the Bowmanville Statesman writes with a prolific pen and does not hesitate to call a spade a spade.

Stewart Hanna of the Almonte Gazette leaves no doubt as to where he stands on matters of local and current interest. Mr. Hanna, on occasions, does not hesitate to be vitriolic and hits straight from the shoulder. Woe to him who is not acting in the public interest if Mr. Hanna feels that way. Harry Moore, of the Trenton Courier-Advocate, has an inimitable style all of his own and his pert paragraphs always make interesting reading. "Gus" Dobbie, of the Smiths Falls Record-News, devotes considerable time to his editorial page and he doubtless offends some as he sets his personal views on paper but we have an idea his subscribers turn to his column before devoting their time to other pages of the paper.

THE PEOPLE'S PAPER

(Cape Breton Gazette)

For the first time in the history of Canada you are reading an editorial printed in a daily newspaper owned, operated and edited by the people for the people. This is interesting.

But there is something more important, more important than just the fact that we the people now own a newspaper, more important than the changes which this Birthday edition have brought to The Gazette.

That something is an idea, a vision, a faith in the future, not so much of the paper itself but of the people. For the paper itself is only important as far as it affects the people.

This paper is a trust, almost a sacred trust. It has been bought with the hard earned dimes and quarters of thousands of good, honest, decent Canadian working men.

These men have not bought this paper to make profits. They haven't bought it to advance the fortunes or power of any individual or small group of individuals.

They have bought it for that idea, for that vision, for that faith in the future.

These men have been thinking of the future of the people, of the Canadian working man. They have been thinking of the voice he needs to make himself heard, to explain himself to his fellows.

They have been thinking of the unity we need in the labor movement, of the unity we need within our own union.

So often in the past we the people have been lied about, misrepresented, labelled among our fellows to suit the aims of a few. We have sat by helpless while the selfish fellow called us agitators, anarchists, saboteurs and of late, fifth columnists—any name which could damage us.

Now we have our own voice. How shall we use it? Do we seek revenge? Shall we attack those who wronged us? Shall we lie about them? People, good, common, ordinary, decent people aren't made that way.

This is our paper. As our paper it will always seek to tell us it sees it, the truth.

Of People And Things

GUESTS

By Isabel Inglis Colville

Guests make a fascinating topic, and those of us who have lived out half our allotted span have had experience with all sorts. There are the guests to whom you look forward with eagerness, and of whom, no matter how many weeks or months they may remain, you see, them go with regret, and a hope that their visit will soon be repeated. That guest's room is always a delight to go into. It is kept so immaculate; she has a habit of vanishing when the dinner rush is on or if things go awry, but is always ready to help if there is occasion for it, and she has the happy faculty of making her hosts feel that she is being well entertained.

Then there is the guest who makes you feel that there are certain things—mostly cats—in your menage of which she doesn't approve, and that a more strenuous effort toward entertaining would be appreciated.

And there are others—more colorless personalities—pleasant, but who do not leave a big gap when they go.

But these are all human visitors and what I set out to speak of was my furred and feathered guests of Christmas day. Early on Christmas morning I went to the window to see what kind of weather St. Nicholas had left behind as he mounted our roof and sped on his way.

But I hadn't much time to speculate in probabilities for over my shoulder the man of the house said: "Look—over near the fence." And there, in the full panoply of his dress suit, walked a gorgeous cock pheasant, while behind him, like a shadow, came his meek little spouse. Fortunately, I had put out grain and bread and suet the evening before, so, with quick little sidewise glances, our lovely guests came closer and were soon enjoying a comfortable meal.

A NEW YEAR

On the morning of New Year's Day, 1942, we set sail for the port of 1943, and arrived there on New Year's Eve, to begin our new voyage on New Year's day. And what a voyage it has been!

For the world, it has been a hectic rush of breath-taking and soul-shaking events, and no matter how far from the actual scenes of conflict, our course has been set, yet it has touched each one of us. And no matter how light the touch, it yet has set a mark upon us. Though we sail through peaceful waters, the repercussions from the shipwrecks, torpedoes, the bombings and sky-crashes have tossed our small craft about, and we feel



Five Toronto residents and a Kitchener man died as a result of over-exertion this week following a heavy snowstorm.

Twenty-nine missionaries, women and children, were rescued from a Japanese-held island in the Solomons by a daring U. S. submarine operation under the cover of darkness.

Five more key cities in the Don River loop and the Caucasus have been captured by the Red army in their smash toward Rostov, the seizure of which might trap the entire German southern army in Russia.

The Argentine government has been informed that Chile will break relations with the Axis on Friday.

At least nine and probably ten Japanese vessels, totalling more than 50,000 tons, were sunk or set afire by Allied heavy bombers at Rabaul, New Britain island.

Heard the intruder, however, and when he fired a shot the burglar dropped the parcel of silverware. Mr. Fred Thompson of Toronto spent the holiday in town.

Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Morris have been spending a few days with friends in Penatungishene. Miss Meeda Lehman of Philadelphia is spending the Christmas holidays with relatives here. Mrs. A. Storcks, Miss Mae Storcks and Miss Leila Belfry visited Mrs. Lorne Cole, Toronto, on New Year's day.

MARRIED—In Trinity church, Aurora, by Rev. Mr. Soanes, Annie Martha Dill to Thos. George Judge, King City.

MARRIED—At the Presbyterian manse, Newmarket, by Rev. H. F. Thomas, on New Year's day, Mr. Chas. West of King township to Miss Margaret Elizabeth Williams of Bradford.

MARRIED—In Newmarket, Dec. 27, 1917, by Elder D. Prosser at his residence, Prospect Ave., Robert E. Smith to Mabel H. Giles, both of Newmarket.

MARRIED—At the residence of her father, Mr. O. J. Hutt, Toronto, on New Year's day, Amy Edna Earle to Mr. Walter Lang Folliott.

BORN—At Sharon on New Year's day, to Mr. and Mrs. Mer-ton Shaw, a son.

BORN—At Holland Landing, on Dec. 25, 1917, to Mr. and Mrs. Chas. Smith, a daughter.

"Look—over there," whispered friend husband, and coming toward the pheasants was a blue-jay, his plumage brilliant in the sunshine. All around them, eating busily, were perhaps fifty little birds and on the tree trunk, sampling the suet, a downy woodpecker worked happily. On the chair in front of us, paws over the back and great eyes named Woolly.

What was in her furry head she didn't make known, but I'm afraid that neither the birds nor we would have appreciated her reflections, could we have read them; they might have run in this wise—"What a lot of good food going to waste—but I smell turkey, so let the birds go."

Our family of squirrels had a glorious game of hide and seek while the birds fed. Occasionally they'd fly through their midst and scatter them, but the cloud would settle again to earnest feeding.

Suddenly a more sinister note sounded, spoiling the harmony of color and pretty sounds—through the fence trotted a small black dog and, as if with a preconceived method of attack, from the gate came a large black and white dog. Up went Woolly's back, her tail expanded to the size of three tails and with an angry hiss and spit she vacated the window and sought the fire. And what a whirl of wings there was, as all the feeders rose like a cloud and settled in the trees.

The squirrels chattered and swore at the intruders and threw chestnut burrs at them for good measure, but the dogs, ignoring such small fry, picked out a bone or a morsel of cake and then went off intent on their own affairs.

So our little Christmas playlet was over, our pretty guests gone for the time being, but they come back every day, dainty, colorful and vocal. Yes, there are guests! And guests, but the birds never disappoint one.

50 YEARS AGO

From The Era and Express files, Jan. 6, 1893

F. J. O'Malley, Stephen Doyle and Jas. Burk were returned as trustees of the separate school board.

The Pleasant View cemetery board had a meeting Wednesday afternoon to close up the business for the year. Cane's factory shut down this week for repairs and stock-taking.

There was another good market on Saturday. Fresh eggs sold for 23 and 24 cents a dozen. Butter sold at 16, 17 and 18 cents a pound.

Elwood Hughes was presented with an easy chair by the members of his class at a social evening on Friday.

Mr. and Mrs. Jas. Kavanagh took over their duties as keeper and matron of the Industrial home on Monday.

MARRIED—On Jan. 2, at the residence of Wm. Clarkson, King township, by Rev. W. Amos, Mrs. Malvina White to Mr. John R. Clubine, Aurora.

BORN—In Whitechurch, Jan. 4, to Mr. and Mrs. Geo. C. Vernon, a daughter.

BORN—In Whitechurch, Jan. 3, to Mr. and Mrs. J. Cooney, a daughter.

BORN—At Lorne Lodge, East Gwillimbury, Jan. 3, to Reeve and Mrs. W. W. Pegg, a son.

Now is the time to sell articles you are no longer using. Use the classifieds.

TOO CANDID

A teacher was giving a lesson on charity. "Willie," he said, "if I saw a boy beating a dunkey, and stopped him, what virtues would I be showing?"

Willie—Brotherly love.

CHRISTMAS TREES

By GOLDEN GLOW

I wonder why some people are so constituted that they fairly delight in tearing down old traditions, and love to attribute ulterior motives to many of our ancient and innocent customs. For instance there are those who would be learned people, who no doubt consider themselves supermen as regards brain-power and knowledge, who now are trying to deprive us of our dearly loved Christmas tree!

Those pleasant (?) people who would have us believe that the Christmas tree is a relic of the worship of Odin in German forests, or Woden, if you prefer the older name, Odin, the chief god of the early Teutons, ruler of heaven and earth, and also god of war! Well, don't let them fool you! I'd say it was propaganda, and work of fifth columnists, but that is putting it pretty strong. All the same I do feel strongly on this subject.

As you probably know by now, if you bother to read what I write, you will have discovered that I love to refer to that Book of Books, the Bible, for you will find many, many things there, wonderful things that prove your point. So just listen to this and if you want chapter and verse I can certainly give it to you, and I will be glad of your interest. This passage confirms my belief that our modern Christmas tree had its roots away down deep in ancient times in the Holy Land.

"Hear ye the word which the Lord speaketh unto you, O House of Israel: Thus saith the Lord, Learn not the way of the heathen and be not dismayed at the signs of heaven; for the heathen are dismayed at them. For the customs of the people are vain, for one cutteth a tree out of the forest, the work of the hands of the workman with the axe.

"They deck it with silver and with gold; they fasten it with nails and with hammers that it

GREETINGS RECEIVED FROM BOYS OVERSEAS

"Received your cigarettes this week and wish to express my appreciation as cigarettes are certainly welcome over here," states a letter (Nov. 18) from Pte. Wm. Dowling, to Alex. McIntosh, secretary-treasurer of the Newmarket Veterans' Soldiers' Comforts fund.

"I had the very good fortune of meeting Art Shropshire here this week and I was telling him of receiving cigarettes from the Veterans among other things and he thought it was very nice having an organization who do so much toward helping the boys.

"I suppose everyone is pretty busy as the Christmas season draws near. I sincerely hope the next one will see us all together again with thoughts of happier times again in sight.

"So hoping you will convey my deepest appreciation to the Veterans Association, I close sending you best wishes for a Merry Christmas and a brighter and happier New Year."

"Many thanks for the fags and they are like gold over here now," Cpl. Don Lyall wrote the Veterans. "I'm sure all the lads appreciate the fine work you are doing for us all and thanks a million times for your thoughtfulness. All the best of luck."

"Just a few lines to say that I

move not. They are upright as the palm tree, but speak not; they must needs be borne because they cannot go. Be not afraid of them for they cannot do evil, neither also is it in them to do good."

So I judge by that passage of scripture the decoration of the Christmas tree was known long before there ever was a German. If the German people appreciate Christmas trees, and we know that they do, I'll say it is to their credit and not otherwise. Am I right?

received your welcome gift of cigarettes, which I was tickled to death to get," Sgt. Vic. Bridges writes. "Now the nights are dark and very misty and we sit beside the fire having a smoke because it is too dark to go out. My thoughts go back to Canada, where we used to have our smokers' night. So to all who help send these cigarettes I thank you very much. The compliments of the season."

"I want to thank you very much for the cigarettes," Sam. Russell Terry writes. "They came at a time when I was about to go on leave and they sure came in handy. I have seen quite a few of the boys from town and they are all in fine shape. There was a big frost this morning, so I guess winter is on its way."

Letters expressing appreciation have been received from Tpr. K. G. Munro and F.O. Jack Malcolm and cards of appreciation have been received from Cpl. Thos. Smith, Tpr. C. W. Hoover, Tpr. H. E. Cooke, Spr. A. G. Chantler, Tpr. James White, Gnr. R. A. R. Harman, Cpl. E. W. Wrightman, Sgt. Albert Lindenbaum, Pte. Verne S. Clark, Gnr. Arthur E. Dobbie and Pte. S. Keetch.

Christmas greetings cards have been received by the Veterans from Sgt. H. G. Thompson and Pte. R. M. Bell.

ASK HELP IN MAKING SURGICAL DRESSINGS

Surgical dressings are made at Trinity United church each Tuesday and Friday from 2 to 6 o'clock. The demand for dressings is constantly increasing. Would you have time to help fold dressings? An hour or two would be helpful. Perhaps this is one branch of Red Cross work you could help. Everyone heartily welcomed to further this war effort.

Make up a group of ten or more and come in for an hour. The men and women of Russia are protecting you. Come and help. These dressings may be used for some of Newmarket's boys. Who knows? Come and help.

YORK COUNTY HOLSTEINS MAKE CREDITABLE RECORDS

A three-year-old Holstein belonging to Cecil Atkinson, Schomberg, has completed a record of 14,660 lbs. of milk containing 571 lbs. butterfat. A four-year-old from the same herd produced 15,255 lbs. milk containing 527 lbs. fat. Three four-year-olds in the Holstein herd of J. Dalton Faris & Sons, Newmarket, produced 341,500 and 503 lbs. fat.

A two-year-old owned by Douglas Wellesley, King, produced 492 lbs. fat. A mature cow owned by Frank Mesley & Sons, King, produced 515 lbs. fat.

MEET JAN. 12

The regular monthly meeting of the Evangelical Auxiliary of the W.M.S. Trinity United church, will be held in the Sunday-school room on Jan. 12 at 8 p.m.

Era and Express classifieds will turn into money for you something that somebody else would like to have.

"THE PIED PIPER" COMES TO TOWN



Englishman Monty Woolley and comely Anne Baxter, a friendly French lass, run into a little Gestapo trouble at this point in "The Pied Piper," coming to the Strand theatre on Wednesday. Otto Preminger is the Nazi. Rich in humor and breath-taking in its exciting adventure, the film was produced by Nunnally Johnson for 20th Century-Fox from the widely read novel by Nevil Shute.

TWO WINTERS WITHOUT SNOW IRKS SOLDIER

"I want to thank you one and all for your kindness to me during the past few months," Gnr. Thos. Wadsworth wrote the Newmarket Veterans' Soldiers' Comforts fund. "I appreciate all that you are doing for the boys overseas and I regard it as 'just a thought from home' wherever we roam. Anyhow, I wish to extend my greetings to one and all for a merry Christmas and a prosperous New Year and the very best of luck."

"I want to thank you for the cigarettes which I received from you a short time ago," Pte. Johnny O'Connor said in a note enclosed with a Christmas greeting card to the Veterans. "They are the most looked for parcels of all that come from home. It sure will be a pleasure to get home again, as two winters without snow is a bit too much."

"Just a few lines to thank you for the cigarettes which are always welcome," Sgt. Ted Robinson wrote the Veterans. "It is a real treat to smoke cigarettes from home. It sure must take a lot of time and work to get all those parcels over here to us and I can safely say that there isn't one of us that doesn't appreciate it very much. Let's hope it won't be too long before we are all home to thank you all in person."

"We are having a lot of wet weather here again and it seems very funny not to have snow for Christmas. It just doesn't seem the same without a lot of snow. How about sending us over some? We could do with it."

"I guess by now you are all getting ready for Christmas and having a great time. There is always so much to do at this time of year."

SAVING YOUNG PIGS SEEN AS WAR NEED

"A freight train reaching from Toronto to Winnipeg would be required to transport alive the 8,000,000 hogs that the farmers of Canada are asked to produce in 1943 to take care of our contract for bacon for Britain and to have enough left over for ourselves," Agricultural Representative W. M. Cockburn said this week. "The 25 percent increase being asked for in Ontario is small compared with the increase being undertaken in the western provinces."

"Saving every pig of the young litters would go a long way to increase our share, and this can largely be done by providing clean dry and reasonably warm quarters for the broad sow at farrowing time," Mr. Cockburn said. "A partially covered hover or creep, where an electric light bulb or crock of hot water can be placed during cold weather, has saved hundreds of piglets."

"York county farmers in the first nine months of 1942 shipped over 5,000 less hogs than in the same period of 1941, a reduction of almost 6% percent. With plenty of feed and the strong demand there has been for bred sows lately, this condition should be more than reversed this year."

"However, speaking of feed there is one thing to be guarded against by all hog feeders, namely, feeding to make the hogs overweight and overfatted. Already the market is getting too many of these and the people of Britain do not like paying bacon prices for fat pork that renders out a lot of fat, neither would we. That is neither economical nor saving of shipping space."

"The farm broadcast every Thursday noon on C.B.I. has many pointers to help farmers with their hog-raising problems. Suc-

SCHOOL TRUSTEE 19 YEARS, GEORGE MARLES RETIRES

At a meeting of the ratepayers on Monday evening Angus Harrison was elected trustee for a term of three years. George Marles retired after 19 years of service on the school board. A hearty vote of thanks was tendered Mr. Marles for his faithful service. Mr. Marles made a suitable reply.

Howard Cunningham of the R.C.A.F. Dartmouth, N. S., and Harold Cunningham, of Toronto, spent New Year's with their parents, Mr. and Mrs. R. F. Cunningham.

Miss Canning of Toronto normal school is the student teacher at Holt public school this week.

Mr. Wm. Mitchell and Grace are spending a couple of weeks with Mr. Mitchell's daughter, Mrs. Robt. Pierce, Kitchener.

Sharon

Mr. M. E. Kiteley, Sarnia, spent the New Year holidays at his home here. Mr. Bob Houston of Toronto spent a few days with Mr. Donald Kiteley.

Mr. and Mrs. Jack Parker of Toronto spent Saturday with Mr. and Mrs. Jas. Parker.

Miss Ethel M. Shaw of Grand Rapids, Mich., and Mrs. K. Somerville, of Toronto, have returned home after spending the holidays with Miss Nora Shaw.

ACI Brock Ramsay of Lethbridge is spending his furlough at his home here.

Misses Erna Ramsay and Margaret Peeg spent a few days in Toronto last week.

Miss Alice Ramsay spent the weekend at home.

Cpl. Lorna Weddel, Hagersville, spent the New Year holidays at home. Miss Naomi Hockley of Newmarket spent the weekend with Miss Kathleen Weddel.

Miss Margaret Lepard of Toronto spent the Christmas holiday with Mrs. Vesta Kiteley.

The annual meeting of the East Gwillimbury branch of the Canadian Red Cross society will be held in the township hall at Sharon on Jan. 15 at 8 p.m. All those interested in the work of the Red Cross society are invited to attend.

Zephyr

Miss Laura Horner has returned to the University of Toronto after spending the holiday at her home.

Mr. Alvin Walker, Toronto, spent his holidays at his home here.

Mrs. Jos. Sheppard and daughter, and Miss Irene Curl returned to Toronto after spending the holiday with their parents. Mr. and Mrs. Frank Curl.

Mr. Gordon Elliott returned last week to resume his Bible studies in Toronto.

Mr. and Mrs. Tilman Meyers and Mr. and Mrs. Howard McKeown of Toronto visited Miss L. Crosby and Mr. Harry Meyers on New Year's day.

Miss Joyce Kennedy visited her cousin, Miss Betty Armstrong, last week.

Mrs. C. Midgley has been confined to her home due to illness. The young people of the United church held their meeting at the home of Mr. Fred Walker.

Mrs. J. W. Rynard spent last week with her daughter, Mrs.

successful practical feeders are interviewed on these Thursday programs and many practical pointers are given each week. Besides getting every farmer to breed one more sow, let us remember that every little pig we can save and pull through to 200 lbs. will provide bacon for nine adults in Britain, perhaps some of our York county boys. Farmers are putting up a real fight to produce food on the farm front."

Holland Landing

Mr. and Mrs. Chas. Grant and family of Toronto visited Mrs. C. Walters and Lillian over the New Year holiday.

Sgt. Leslie F. Rowe of Vimy barracks, Kingston, spent the holiday at his home here.

Tpr. George Dew of Quebec was home over Christmas with his wife and baby, Irene.

Pte. W. Vaughan, stationed at Quebec, has returned after a visit with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. George Vaughan.

Mrs. Herbert Long and baby, Beverly, have arrived in Botwood, Newfoundland, to spend the winter with her husband, Pte. Long.

Mrs. John Gibson and son, Johnnie, visited in Weston with Mrs. Gibson's parents over the holiday.

Miss Lois Sedore of Pine Beach is visiting her aunt, Mrs. A. Stephenson.

Miss Verna Stephenson and Miss A. Miller of Toronto spent the holidays with Mr. and Mrs. W. C. McCallum.

Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Bagler of Brantford visited Mrs. Bagler's parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. R. Sweet, during the holidays.

Mr. and Mrs. A. Hare attended the funeral of Mr. Hare's aunt, Mrs. Sarah Stover, Stouffville, on Wednesday.

TORONTO MARKETS

Creamery prints, No. 1, were 37 1/2 cents on the Toronto market on Tuesday. Ontario No. 1 creamery solids were 35 1/2 cents a pound.

Country dealers were quoted on graded eggs, cases free, delivered to Toronto, grade A large, 40 cents a dozen, A medium 38 cents and A pullets 35 cents.

Nominal prices to the shipper for spring broilers, 1 1/4 to 1 3/4 pounds, were 22 to 24 cents a pound, 2 1/4 to 4 1/4 pounds, 20 to 22 cents.

Weighty steers sold at \$11 to \$11.60, butcher steers and heifers \$10 to \$11.25, butcher cows \$7.50 to \$9.50, canners downward to \$5, bulls \$8.50 to \$10, fed yearlings, \$11 to \$12.

Calves sold at \$16 to \$16.50, with a few tops at \$17 for choice yearlings, with other grades at \$10 to \$13.

Lambs brought \$14.50 to \$15 for good ewes and wethers. Sheep sold at \$9 to \$10.50. Hogs sold at \$16.75 to \$16.90 dressed-weight and sows \$14 dressed.

Howard Palmer.

Messrs. Ivan and Floyd Clark were at home for New Year's day.

PLEASANTVILLE

Mr. and Mrs. Albert Ridley, Mr. and Mrs. Alvin Ridley and Mr. Fred Ridley spent New Year's day at Aurora as the guests of Mr. and Mrs. Fred Caulfield.

Mrs. A. Tucker, Mr. J. Rowbotham and Miss Florence Tucker spent New Year's day with Mr. and Mrs. George Wood. Miss Erla Toole has the chicken pox.

Mr. and Mrs. James Harper, Mr. and Mrs. L. J. Harper, Miss Irene Harper, Miss Doris Penrose and Mr. Roy Harper spent New Year's day at Mongolia, the guests of Mr. and Mrs. Douglas Booth.

AC Kenneth Waggy of Scudouc, N. B., spent the weekend at the home of Mr. and Mrs. L. J. Harper.

Mr. and Mrs. Francis Sheridan spent New Year's day in Newmarket.

Guests at the McClure home for New Year's were Mr. and Mrs. Howard McClure and Ray, and Mr. and Mrs. David Coates of Sharon.

Miss Tena Ramsay spent last week at the Harper home.

Miss Nora Penrose returned to Wellington after spending her Christmas vacation at her home.

W.C.T.U. WILL MEET

The regular monthly meeting of the W.C.T.U. will be held at the home of Mrs. Arthur Winn, 54 Millard Ave., on Jan. 12 at 3 p.m.

THOUGH BOYS BE FAR AWAY, DREAM OF HOME

Undisclosed soldiers, sailors and airmen overseas sent flowers with Christmas and New Year's greetings through the Florists' Telegraph Delivery Association and Perrin's Flower Shop, Newmarket, to the following persons: Mrs. John Stuart, Mrs. Raymond White, Mrs. Sherman, Mrs. F. C. White, all of Aurora; Mrs. Victor Bridges, Roche's Point; Mrs. A. E. Rundle, Ravenshoe; Mrs. Sturdy, Keswick; Mrs. W. H. Elines, Mrs. Goodman, Mrs. Gordon Ough, Mrs. H. Terry, Mrs. S. J. Freshwater, Miss Alice Mills, Miss Pearl Davidson, Mrs. Aiken, all of Newmarket;

A memorial wreath for mother, Peter Atkinson, Sharon.

"Owing to war regulations we are not allowed to disclose from where or whom these telegrams originated," said Mrs. W. S. Perrin. "In fact it is a Chinese puzzle to figure it out for those that are in the know."

RED CROSS MEETS

The annual meeting of the Red Cross society will be held in the Citizens-Soldiers' club rooms, Millard Ave., at 3 p.m. Jan. 15. All who have contributed \$1 to the society in 1942 will be eligible to vote and are urged to attend.

A book shower for the library of the Newmarket military hospital will be held at this meeting.

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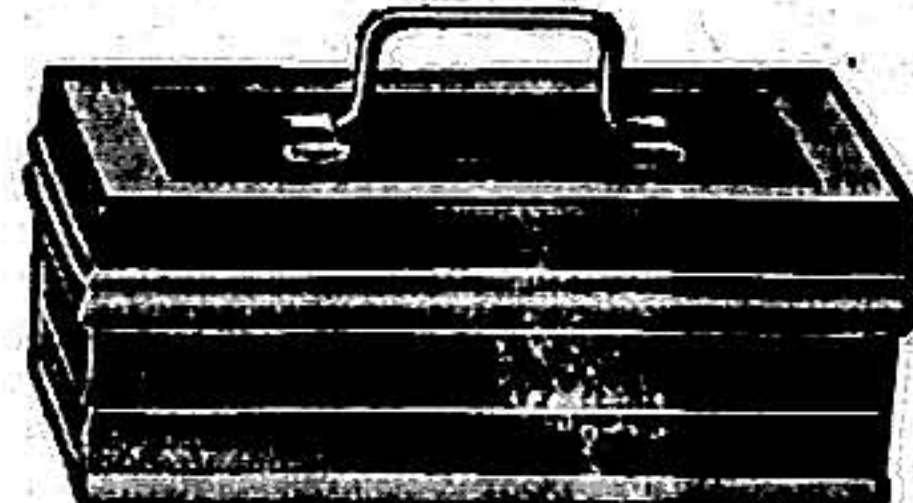
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MUMPHREY MITCHELL, Minister of Labour, Ottawa



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Riddle-Me-Ree In '43, Puzzle Editor Takes Steps To Reduce Number O.K. Answers, Who'll Outwit Him?

There were 50 correct answers sent in to last week's contest. Others were late or incorrect. The contest was open only to those who had never won before.

The winners were drawn by John Campbell at Frank Bowers' grocery store. They are: Larry Osborne, 51 Timothy St., Newmarket, Mrs. F. Lusted, Sr., 13 Ontario St. W., Newmarket, Evelyn Seaton, R. R. 3, King, Bert Leadbetter, Queen St., Newmarket, and Lorne Keffer, 51 Andrew St., Newmarket.

These winners have their choice of the program on Tuesday, Jan. 12, when John Payne, Betty Grable and Victor Mature star in "Footlight Serenade" and William Wright and Marguerite Chapman play in "A Man's World," or on Thursday, Jan. 14, when Monty Woolley, Roddy McDowall and Anne Baxter star in "The Pied Piper" and William Holden and Frances Dee star in "Meet the Stewarts." Passes may be picked up any evening at the Strand theatre.

The correct answers were: located, bedroom, caulking, directors, comfortable, delivered, reliable, roosters, heifer and cockerel.

THIS WEEK'S CONTEST

This week's contest is open to everybody. Five double passes to the Strand will again be given. The winners will have their choice of seeing Sonja Henie, John Payne and Jack Oakie in

"Iceland" and Victor McLaglen and Juna Hovoe in "Powder Town," on Tuesday, Jan. 19, or Rosalind Russell, Brian Aherne and Janet Blair in "My Sister Eileen" and John Beal and Florence Rice in "Stand by all Networks," on Thursday, Jan. 21. Answers must reach The Era and Express office by Tuesday morning at 9:30.

The words will be found in the classifieds:

- (1) Hair in your soup: from WAI (Women's Auxiliary Institute) and ----- meaning hair.
- (2) Light travels faster than -----
- (3) Can't make a ----- without straw.
- (4) A persistent dog.
- (5) ----- or not ----- That is the question. Wraps around anything from a train to hospital soup.
- (6) Off again, on again, warm again, -----
- (7) If "cherish" were spelled thus what fruit would it be derived from?
- (8) Rises late, goes to bed early, makes his living easily, can milk a cow, drive a horse, repair a car, is always cheerful. He's a -----
- (9) "The ----- of Learning" is a classic.
- (10) A lowly animal whose hide-out may be found beside a stream and whose hide may be seen on Main St.

WANT-ADS

The rate for Want Ads is 25 cents for 25 words for one insertion; 40 cents for two insertions; 50 cents for three insertions. For over 35 words, each additional word, one insertion, one cent, additional insertions, one-half cent per insertion. 25c extra if not paid within week of first insertion, 10c extra for use of box number.

4 REAL ESTATE FOR SALE

For sale—Ten-room brick house in Newmarket. All conveniences. Large lot. Central. Cheap to close estate. Apply Mrs. W. A. Carley, 8 O'Hara Ave., Toronto. c3w49

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10 APARTMENT FOR RENT

For rent—Four-roomed apartment. All conveniences. Apply G. S. Stark, Queen St., or phone 75, Newmarket. c2w49

12 ROOMS FOR RENT

For rent—Three furnished or unfurnished rooms. Mrs. W. L. Stone, 10 Rimco St. E. c3w48

14 ROOMS FOR RENT

For rent—Two room apartment. Large front room and one back and 2-piece bath. Available Jan. 9. Apply 132 Main St., Newmarket. c1w49

15 BOARDERS WANTED

Boarders wanted — Accommodation for boarders in comfortable home. Apply 47 Andrew St., Newmarket. c1w49

18 ARTICLES WANTED

For sale—Private sale of house furniture at 8 Concession St., Newmarket. Apply to Mr. E. Winters. c1w49

17 ARTICLES FOR SALE

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Wanted to buy—Good alfalfa hay for grinding. Schomberg Alfalfa Co., Schomberg, Ont. c1w49

28 LIVESTOCK FOR SALE

For sale—One fresh heifer. Part Durham and Jersey. \$100 cash. Phone 1713. Newmarket, or can be seen at E. Miller's, Pearson's Crossing. c2w48

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31 MISCELLANEOUS

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PUBLIC NOTICE

The annual meeting of the Queensville Cemetery Co. will be held on Monday, Jan. 18, at 8 o'clock, at the home of the secretary-treasurer, Frank Milne, president, Fred Dow, secretary-treasurer. c2w48

NOTICE

The annual meeting of the lot owners of the Newmarket Cemetery company will be held in the office of the department of agriculture, Newmarket, on Monday, Jan. 18, at 8 o'clock p.m. for the election of officers and transaction of general business. W. L. Bosworth, president, W. O. Caruthers, secretary-treasurer. c2w49

NOTICE

Mount Albert Cemetery Company will hold their annual meeting on Monday, Jan. 18, at 2:30 p.m. in the telephone board room. All plot holders are invited to attend. Joseph Harrison, pres. W. R. Steeper, sec. c2w49

TENDERS WANTED

For 20 cords, 14-inch body hardwood, delivered and piled in school yard of S.S. No. 4, East Gwillimbury. C. Pinder, secretary. Newmarket. c1w49

TENDERS WANTED

Sealed tenders are wanted by the Queensville public school board for 10 cords of beech or maple body wood, 14 inches or more in length, delivered and piled for measuring at school house by April 1, 1943. The lowest or any tender not necessarily accepted. Tenders close Jan. 15. R. G. Strasser, sec. of board. c2w48

CARD OF THANKS

The family of the late Geo. A. Leppard wish to thank their friends and neighbors for the many acts of kindness and expressions of sympathy, also for the many beautiful floral tributes extended to them during their recent bereavement.

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SALE REGISTER

Tuesday, Jan. 12—Auction sale of high class dairy cows, the property of V. Roy Reynolds, N. H. lot 16 con. 3. Inisfil twp., on highway 11, one mile south of Stroud, at 2 p.m. No reserve as owner is going into purebreds. Terms cash. Irving Robertson, clerk, H. A. Grose, auctioneer. c1w49

Saturday, Jan. 16—Auction sale of farm stock, implements, household furniture, etc., the property of J. Jefferson, lot 32, con. 3, King twp., (best road via town line and Glenville pond). Sale at 1 p.m. Terms cash. E. N. Smith, auctioneer. Leslie Mount, clerk. c2w49

BIRTHS

Lewis—At Lady Minto hospital, Cochrane, on Dec. 29, to Ted and Lois Lewis (nee Elliott), a daughter, Sally Ann.

McDonald—At Grace hospital, Toronto, Jan. 5, to Mr. and Mrs. James McDonald (nee Nesbit Campbell) of Newmarket, a daughter, Shirley Diane.

Murrell—At York county hospital, Jan. 5, to Mr. and Mrs. J. D. Murrell, Sharon, a son.

Pollock—To Mr. and Mrs. Earl Pollock, Markham, on Jan. 3, a daughter.

Shropshire—At York county hospital, Jan. 4, to L. Cpl. and Mrs. Arthur S. Shropshire, Newmarket, a son.

DEATHS

Bateman — At Lloydtown, on Jan. 2, Janet Burton, wife of the late Joseph Bateman, in her 82nd year.

The funeral service was held at the home of her niece, Mrs. Robert Wilson, Lloydtown, on Tuesday afternoon. Interment Schomberg cemetery, Schomberg.

Cutler—Suddenly, on Dec. 31, at the Toronto Western hospital, Margaret Adelaide Cutler, wife of Arthur Haight Cutler, brother of Geoffrey A.

The funeral service was held at St. John's church, Toronto, Monday afternoon. Interment Brier Hill cemetery, Sutton West.

Hance—At Canandaigua Memorial hospital on Wednesday, Jan. 6, Benjamin M. Hance of Macedon, Ontario, New York, husband of Helena Hance, in his 54th year.

Harvey—At the home of her sister, Mrs. T. R. Saxon, Bradford, after a lingering illness, Jane Harvey, daughter of the late James and Elizabeth Harvey of Allenwood, Ont.

A funeral service was held at the home of T. Kilkenny and Son, Bradford, on Monday evening. A burial service was held on Tuesday afternoon at the Bishop funeral home, Elmville. Interment Elmville cemetery.

Pearson—Suddenly, at his home, Mount Albert, early Saturday morning, Lyman Franklin Pearson, husband of Lyla Lapp, in his 18th year, (postmaster).

A funeral service was held at his late home Monday afternoon followed by a service in "The Chapel." Interment Mount Albert cemetery.

Spencer—At the residence of her son, W. N. Smith, Newmarket, Jan. 7, Mary E. Longhurst, wife of the late Louis Piper, in her 82nd year.

Resting at the funeral chapel of Roadhouse and Rose. Service in the chapel on Saturday, Jan. 9, at 1 p.m. Interment Newmarket cemetery.

IN MEMORIAM

Case—In loving memory of my dear mother, Margaret Case, who passed away on Jan. 9, 1941. We are sad within our memory. Lonely are our hearts today. For the one we loved so dearly. Has forever been called away. We think of her in silence. No eye can see us weep. But many silent tears are shed. When others are asleep. Lovingly remembered by son, Clarence.

Dimanche—In loving memory of a dear mother, Harriet Dimanche, who passed away Dec. 29, 1939. She has gone across the river. To the shores of evergreen. And we long to see her dear face again. But the river flows between. Some day, some time, our eyes shall meet.

The face we loved so well. Some day we'll clasp her loving hands. And never say farewell. Sadly missed by daughter and grandchildren.

Fletcher—In loving memory of Elsie Gregory Fletcher, who passed away Jan. 4, 1942. We watched you suffer day by day and could not help in any way. But just stood by and saw you pass into the Saviour's arms at last. Mother.

Wilson—In loving memory of a dear daughter and sister, Dawn Wilson, who passed away Jan. 6, 1941. Gone from this earth so quickly. Plucked like a flower in bloom. So young, so fair, so loving. Yet called away so soon. God wanted one more flower. To fill His garden fair. And so He called the one we loved into His tender care. Lovingly remembered by mother and brother, George.

Whyte—In loving memory of our dear mother, Annie Graver Whyte, who passed away Dec. 31, 1939. As a wonderful mother we still think of you. In memories that are still fond and true. There wasn't a thing too big or too small. That you wouldn't try to do for us all. It's sad, but true, I wonder why. That the best are always the first to die. We have lost, but Heaven has gained. The best mother this world ever contained. Lovingly remembered by Margaret and Herbert.

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—Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Ash, King, and Mr. and Mrs. Robson, Miss Anne McNeil and Mr. M. Ash of Toronto spent New Year's with Mr. and Mrs. Clifford Terry.

—Mrs. Verne Arnold, Gravenhurst, had New Year's dinner with Mr. and Mrs. Robt. Arnold.

—P.O. Douglas Saunders, Macleod, Alta., spent New Year's with his wife. Mrs. Saunders is returning with him.

—Mrs. Stella Boyd spent Christmas and New Year's with her sister, Mrs. Robt. Pinder, Newtonbrook.

—Mr. W. H. Caldwell, Toronto, Mr. and Mrs. Roger Caldwell, Aurora, and Grant Caldwell of Brantford, and Mrs. Grant Caldwell, spent New Year's with Mrs. Thos. A. Caldwell.

—Miss Greta Rogers spent New Year's with her brother, Mr. Chas. Rogers, and Mrs. Rogers, Mount Albert.

—Mr. and Mrs. Jas. Coltham and LAC Arthur Coltham spent New Year's with Mrs. Coltham's mother, Mrs. Doug. Welbourn, Toronto.

—Miss Marie Reynolds spent New Year's with her uncle, Mr. Roy Reynolds, Stroud.

—Mr. and Mrs. Harry Boag, Queensville, spent New Year's with Mrs. Boag's parents, Mr. and Mrs. A. F. Johns.

—Miss Helen Blindauer spent New Year's and the weekend with her sister, Mrs. Stanley Hatfield, and Cpl. Hatfield, Toronto.

—Mr. and Mrs. R. E. Smith and two children, Miss F. M. Morton, R.N., of Toronto, Mrs. M. G. Morton and two children of Sutton West and Spr. W. S. Morton, R.C.E.L. of Woodstock, were guests of Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Morton on New Year's day.

—Mr. and Mrs. Donald W. Morton and baby Russell visited Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Morton on Saturday.

—Miss Grace Goodberry of Kingston spent New Year's at the home of Mrs. T. G. Cumber.

—Mr. N. Huston of Toronto

spent the New Year's weekend with his wife.

—Miss Mary Osborne, nurse-in-training at St. Michael's hospital, Toronto, spent New Year's with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Geo. Osborne.

—Mrs. Frank Howard of Toronto spent New Year's in town.

—Miss Jeanne Percy of Toronto spent New Year's with her cousin, Miss Phyllis Osborne.

—Mr. and Mrs. Clifford Insley visited friends in Toronto on Sunday.

—Mr. and Mrs. Jos. Smith spent New Year's in Toronto with their daughter, Josephine Isabelle Smith.

—New Year's guests at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Wallace Harman and family were Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Sedore of Keswick, Mr. and Mrs. Ethel Morton and Carol of Brownhill, Mr. Frank Harman, Misses Helen and Hilda Harman, Frank Harman, Jr., a niece, Jean, and a nephew, Kenneth, all of Newmarket.

—Mrs. J. H. Collins and her sister, Miss Emma Fox of Toronto, Mr. and Mrs. R. G. Collins of Leaside, and Miss Jean Collins of Plattville spent New Year's day with Mr. and Mrs. W. M. Collins.

—Mr. Fleming Young and his nephew, Irwin Young, of the R.C.A.P. Quebec, son of Stewart Young, Brant, Alta., had New Year's dinner on Mr. Young's grandparents' homestead, the guests of Mr. and Mrs. Frank Graham, Queensville.

—Mr. and Mrs. Aubrey Watson and Carol spent the New Year's weekend in Toronto the guests of Mr. and Mrs. John Moore and Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Watson.

—LAC Jack Holloway of Camp Borden spent two days Christmas leave and five days New Year's leave the guest of Miss Betty Cook at the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. F. E. Cook.

—Miss Olive Niles of Toronto spent New Year's day at the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Niles.

ATTEND FUNERAL

Mr. and Mrs. C. C. Gamble were in Hamilton on Wednesday attending the funeral of Mrs. Macleod, mother of Capt. Norman Macleod, their son-in-law, who is over from England on a 28-day leave.

GEORGE VALE RESIGNS

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Albert V. Higginson will represent the council on the York county hospital board, Arleigh Armstrong and R. D. Brown were appointed members of the public library board.

No action was taken on the suggestion of Councillor Wm. Dixon that the water and light committee consist of four members instead of three.

The new council member, J. A. Perks, was named to the police committee and the road and bridge committee. All other committees remain the same.

ENGAGEMENT

Mr. and Mrs. Alex. Doner of "Heathcote Farm," Newmarket, announce the engagement of their daughter, Helen Isabel, to Perc. Ronald Ernest Glass, R.C.A.S.C., Camp Borden, son of Mr. and Mrs. Harvey Glass, Aurora, the wedding to take place the latter part of January.

COME TO CHURCH

SUNDAY, JANUARY 10

CONGREGATIONAL-CHRISTIAN CHURCH

The friendly church on the top of the hill.

Pastor: REV. ALEX. B. STEIN

11 a.m.—"CHRIST AND YOU." Communion service.

2:30 p.m.—Sunday-school.

7 p.m.—"LOOK AND LIVE." Tuesday, 8 p.m.—Christian Endeavour.

Weekly thought: "If Christ is the centre of our life the circumference will adjust itself." A cordial welcome awaits you.

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Rector: REV. G. H. JOHNSON, M.A., B.D.

8:30 a.m.—Holy communion.

11 a.m.—Morning prayer and sermon. Subject: "WISDOM."

2:30 p.m.—Sunday-school.

7 p.m.—Evening prayer and sermon. Subject: "WHY DOES GOD NOT INTERVENE?"

TRINITY UNITED CHURCH

Minister: REV. HENRY COTTON

11 a.m.—"CHINA—YESTERDAY AND TODAY." Rev. H. A. Boyd, M.A., B.D., 25 yrs. missionary in China.

11 a.m.—Junior Sunday-school.

2:30 p.m.—Senior Sunday-school.

DOOR OPEN TO RICHER LIFE IN 1943—PASTOR

The union watch night service held at the First Church of the Nazarene under the auspices of Newmarket Ministerial Association proved to be a great success. The Protestant clergymen of Newmarket conducted the service. A goodly crowd attended.

Rev. A. B. Stein, minister of the Congregational - Christian church preached a challenging sermon which stirred the hearts of all present. Mr. Stein chose for his subject, "An Open Door."

"As we enter 1943 we shall be called upon to make vital decisions which will affect our lives, our homes, our churches and our town," said Mr. Stein. "The question naturally arises: 'How can I make this new year count most for God?'"

To answer the question the speaker threw out to his hearers a great challenge which he said, "would bind the hearts of all Christians together as we unitedly strive for the faith of the gospel." The challenge given was the words found in Rev. 3:8, "I have set before thee an open door." Mr. Stein said that "a door is a means of access or

egress," but emphasized that the door of challenge was a means of access to things rather than egress from things. The speaker said that "God has apparently signed a blank cheque for Christians to fill out as needed."

Mr. Stein then said, "the open door set now before the church was into: first, a deeper appreciation of the meaning of life; second, a richer community service; third, a deeper knowledge and experience of Christ. The speaker closed his address by saying: 'I have sought to challenge your consideration and not your intellect.'"

Rev. L. R. Coupland called the congregation to prayer as the old year closed and the new year dawned.

The first act following the midnight hour was to take the sacrament of the Lord's Supper. This was presided over by Rev. J. A. Koffend, who was assisted by the church present. About 100 took this communion.

Capt. F. W. Brightwell opened the watch night service with prayer and Rev. L. E. Sparks directed the singing.

A beautiful soprano solo was rendered by Mrs. Orley Hayes of Trinity United church.

NEWMARKET GOSPEL TABERNACLE

12 Millard Ave. Just west of Main St.

Pastor: REV. L. R. COUPLAND

9:50 a.m.—Sunday-school.

11 a.m.—"EPISTLES OF GOD."

7 p.m.—"THE TERROR OF THE LORD."

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TOO MUCH SPENDING

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spending too much money and "not saving enough for the lean years which are ahead."

Mr. Lambert said that this was the first year in his nine years in Newmarket that the town had not had an overdraft at the bank at the year end.

"It is the first time in my 18 years as clerk," said N. L. Mathews, K.C., town clerk, solicitor and treasurer.

Mr. Mathews complimented the council on the financial position of the town and gave

TAKE VOWS AT DECEMBER WEDDING



A pretty December wedding was that of Dorothy Annette Nolan, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. W. Nolan, Toronto, to William Ransom of Aurora. Pictured above, from left to right, are: ACI John McGhee, the bride and groom, and the matron of honor, Mrs. Eric Gardner, Aurora. Photo by Barrager.

FARMERS CROWD TO MECHANICS COURSES

With blocked and heavy roads from Sunday's storm, the attendance at the Pefferlaw short course in farm mechanics on Tuesday and Wednesday exceeded the expectations of Agricultural Representative W. M. Cockburn, who is conducting the series of classes over the county. Several who were unable to get through the snow banks on Tuesday drove over to the Belhaven course today to get what they missed that day. The total enrolment at Pefferlaw was over 45 and it is expected that as the work proceeds the attendance will increase at other points. Many of the older men in attendance expressed their appreciation of the tips given by the mechanics instructors on adjustments on mowers, binders, plows and seed drills for more efficient and economical operation. One of the instructors startled the audience by reading a letter he had just received from the head office of the farm machinery company he is associated with, listing the various common implements which will not be available at all in 1943. That is why it is so important to overhaul all machinery now and get needed parts while they are available. The first morning at each course is devoted to practice in rope splicing and the balance of the time to instruction on repairing, overhauling and adjusting mowers, binders, seed drills, plows and tractors. A series of slides on tractor maintenance and one on labor-saving devices including self-feeders for hogs and buck rakes is proving popular. Tomorrow concludes the Belhaven course and Sharon will be Monday and Tuesday of next week. Vandorf will be Tuesday and Wednesday, with Stouffville Thursday and Friday. Those in the Mount Albert district are advised to attend the Ontario county course in Zephyr. In order to work in three courses a week and avoid Saturdays two courses will be held each Tuesday.

York Cottage Matron, Miss M. McNelly, Dies

Apparently in her usual good health the previous day, Miss Minnie McNelly, matron of York Cottage, Willowdale, died peacefully early Christmas morning. Miss McNelly was born at Zephyr on Nov. 14, 1882, eldest daughter of the late Christina Gibson and the late Peter McNelly. For some years, Miss McNelly was well known as a dressmaker in Uxbridge and Uxbridge district. For over 30 years she has been a resident of Toronto and Willowdale. Most of her years in Toronto were spent as assistant to Miss E. Culman, modiste. She has been on the staff at York Cottage, Willowdale, for the past eight years (six years in the office of matron). Miss McNelly was first a member of Zephyr Presbyterian church and later of College Street Presbyterian (now United) at Toronto. She was an officer and an ardent worker in the Young People's Society of Christian Endeavour of College Street Presbyterian. For a number of years she was convener of the hospital visitation committee from the society. She attended Newtonbrook United church at Willowdale, and took a number of the children with her each Sunday. An article in the Pathfinder some years ago paid tribute to Miss McNelly: "A wonderful leader presides over this particular Hospital Visitation Band. And the beauty of it is, she is quite unconscious of the fact that she is a leader. It was never known that she ever sang a solo, or gave an address."

LITTLE ERRORS TOTAL UP TO WARS—DOWNER

Capt. the Rev. A. W. Downer, M.F.P., Protestant chaplain at Newmarket training centre, gives the following New Year message through his home newspaper, the Collingwood Enterprise-Bulletin: "A year ago the sky was dark and overcast. There was not a single break in the clouds and as people were weary and not optimistic. Today while there are still clouds, big black ones, yet there are breaks and we can see the sun shining. Our hopes are high. Our confidence is great. The tide of war has turned in Africa and Rome's forces are fleeing before the victorious 8th army. Our allies, the Russians, are on the offensive; in the south Pacific the Japanese are being 'old' and in some places are being driven back. The sea lanes are safer than at any time since the war began. When we think of these things we ought to thank God for His many mercies and take courage. When we think how near we were to disaster, and of the two years we stood alone as a people against the aggressors, we ought to remember all the way God has led us. Now a new year is before us. It may be the year of victory. We pray it may be, but we do know that God helping us we cannot fail. There will be dark days, we shall walk along dangerous paths, we shall have heavy burdens to bear, but if each one will realize his responsibility to the country as a whole and give generously of his time, services and money, then we shall weather the storm. One thing we know. We cannot hope for security, peace or 'appianess' unless we build upon a solid foundation. All we see

DOWN THE CENTRE

No schedule as yet has been announced for the all-military local O.H.A. group, although one may be expected shortly.

Brampton camp, who will play their games in the Aurora arena, are expected to start practice here this weekend and advice from Lieut. Bing Caswell of Brampton is that games will start around the middle of January, which is a bit late for the usual O.H.A. season but probably well in time for this season. Lieut. Caswell is a former netminder for Toronto Varsity and a tailoring entry in the Varsity commercial series and is some pumpkins when it comes to stopping the rubber biscuit.

Army Diggers of the senior O.H.A. series tried to lure Caswell to their squad but he wants to stay with the boys at his own camp. With a January draft sweeping player stock from most centres, the probable line-ups at all centres, except for boys on the permanent staff, is a bit hard to forecast.

Brampton has been working out on open-air cushions at the camp and at last reports had a fair bunch of boys in hand. The goal posts will be guarded by either Caswell or Lawson of Young Rangers 1940 squad, while Rolley of Bolton juniors, who was under study to Teddy Grosskurth in 1939, is also on hand. Bill of Froed Mines, Lieut. Soule, former McMaster University player, and Cpl. Turnbull, former Ojibwa and Varsity player, are on hand for blue-line duty.

Bohaley, who played senior hockey with Port Colborne in '41, Cpl. Barnes, who has played for army teams at both Ottawa and Camp Borden, and H. Lawrie of last year's Markham bombers and a brother of Ernie and Bob Lawrie, are the first-string forwards, with a big cut down to a working squad of about 20 players due any time now. That line-up at present hardly compares with the super aggregation at Camp Harkness, Newmarket, but you can never tell who will be on hand when the opening whistle blows.

Sgt. Edwards of the fighting 48th is the coach and knows his hockey from A to Z. Major Adams, the sports officer, is leaving no stone unturned to see that his boys get a break. Brampton is a new camp of only a few months. With two bad winters of hockey behind them, the Newmarket camp men have the advantage of knowing their way around in hockey circles.

Angus Bombers, an R.C.A.F. aggregation, are supposed to be the third team in the group but up north efforts are being made to have them grouped with Gravenhurst Indians and Midland. A two-club set-up was most unsatisfactory in the local O.H.A. group last year, as the result was a foregone conclusion after the first few games were played. It would be better to have all the teams grouped together, even with transportation difficulties, than to have Newmarket and Brampton soldiers fight it out alone.

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SWEET CAPORAL
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Flt.-Lieut. Horace Partlett of Gravenhurst is coaching the air force entry and is reputed to have oodles of fine material on hand. We hope to know something definite about the Bombers for next issue.

Gravenhurst, who played in the group with Sutton Greenshirts last season, are now in their 40th year of O.H.A. entry. Fred Barnes, veteran player, is coaching the team this season.

Itan Forder, who guarded the nets last year for the Indians, is not counted on by Gravenhurst. The former Newmarket fainting expert played well enough last year but he has never quite reached his peak performance of 1932-3, which many observers thought was a flash in the pan.

Jack Rutherford is again coaching Midland but enlistments have taken away practically all of the boys who were in action against Sutton last season.

Speaking of Sutton, we were reminded by our good friend, Charlie Cunningham, that Sgt. Bill Surkholder, of last year's Sutton team and Newmarket Redmen hockeyist and softballer, has arrived overseas safely.

George ("Hack") Wilson, manager last winter of Aurora juniors and ace horse-picker, piped up to tell us that Jack Curtis was also overseas now. In this corner's opinion, Curtis was just about as fine a defenceman as ever played junior hockey in North York. He lacked weight but had plenty of spirit and was a wonderful puck-carrier. He turned down a minor professional offer after he left Aurora Tigers.

Itan Brown, the slugging Richmond Hill footballer, is now located at Jarvis R.C.A.F. centre with the dental corps, while Jack Luck, who for a youngster showed great promise of a big hockey and softball career when he played with Newmarket, is now located at Fingal with the airmen. Last year Fingal's intermediate hockey team lost to the O.H.A. finals and just about ousted Sutton. Jack should catch a place on the Fingal entry this season, and they have a powerhouse gang on hand for action.

Joe Cherry, the Gormley boy who was to have played with Aurora juniors until he went to prep school, as we predicted two years ago, has what it takes. This year he is the ace of Joe Freeman's Upper Canada College sextet and U.C.C. is favored to take the group this season.

Harry Watson, now a stylish stout but in his day one of the greatest forwards to ever play amateur hockey, has been named as coach of St. Andrew's college team this year, which means that despite an entry filed as yet with the O.H.A., the Andrews may yet provide some junior hockey for the district.

Watson is an old boy of the school and he played when the team had some big stars in action. In the East-West Ontario junior all-star games over 20 years ago

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Birthday congratulations are
 extended this week to:
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 seven years old on Sunday,
 Jan. 3.
 Betty Squires, Newmarket, 16
 years old on Monday, Jan. 4.
 Franklin Lehman, Pine Orchard,
 ten years old on Tuesday,
 Jan. 5.
 Ivan Howard Bray, Newmar-
 ket, ten years old on Wednesday,
 Jan. 6.
 Joan Barbara Simpkin, Holland
 Landings, four years old on Wed-
 nesday, Jan. 6.
 Kenneth Cassavoy, Newmar-
 ket, four years old, Thursday,
 Jan. 7.
 Verna Norine Seythes, Newmar-
 ket, eight years old on
 Thursday, Jan. 8.
 Richard Eaton, Newmarket,
 eight years old on Friday, Jan. 8.

Send in your name, age and
 birthday and become a member
 of The Era and Express Birthday
 Club.

Elmhurst Beach

Quite a number of the young
 people attended the annual New
 Year's Eve dance at Mount
 Albert.

Pte. Sherman Sedore of Nova
 Scotia and Pte. Walter Sedore of
 Camp Borden spent their Christ-
 mas leave with their parents.

Mr. and Mrs. Rae and family
 of Zephyr spent New Year's
 with their daughter, Mrs. Wm.
 Draper.

Mrs. Clark, convenor of the
 soldiers' boxes for Elmhurst In-
 stitute, reports sending six boxes
 and cigarettes to boys overseas
 and five to the boys in Canada.

Harold Waldon of the R.C.M.P.
 was calling on old friends in the
 community during the holidays.

Mr. and Mrs. Chas. Hodgins re-
 ceived telegrams Christmas day
 from their sons, Gnr. Lorne
 Hodgins, Prince Rupert, B. C.,
 and Pte. Joe Hodgins, Terrace,
 B. C.

Mrs. Sturdy, quilt convenor,
 reports she has just finished
 three quilts to be turned over to
 the Red Cross.

Mr. Miller Sedore of Ajax
 spent New Year's with his par-
 ents, Mr. and Mrs. Henry Sedore.

Mr. Claude Pollock of St.
 Andrew's College spent the holi-
 days at his home.

Mrs. Abe Sedore spent a few
 days last week visiting her
 daughter, Mrs. Harvey King,
 Richmond Hill.

Mrs. Theodore Huntley spent
 the holidays at the home of her
 parents, Mr. and Mrs. Ross
 Draper.

Elmhurst Women's Institute
 will meet at the home of Mrs.
 Smithers on Jan. 13. An address
 will be given by Mrs. Gordon
 Lapp. The hostesses are Mrs.
 Carl Anderson, Miss Evelyn King
 and Mrs. J. Hirst.

KESWICK

Mr. Jack Winch spent New
 Year's at his home here.

Mr. and Mrs. Orval King spent
 New Year's in Toronto with their
 daughter, Mrs. R. Hodgkinson.

Mr. Fred Morton of Toronto
 spent New Year's with Mrs. W.
 Winch.

There was a good attendance
 at the watch night meeting at
 the United church on Thursday.

Mr. and Mrs. S. Haddon, and
 Miss Florence Waldon of Toronto
 and Mrs. J. Glenney of London,
 Eng., spent New Year's with Mr.
 and Mrs. I. Waldon.

Mr. and Mrs. Joel Sedore spent
 New Year's with Mr. and Mrs.
 Selby Sedore at Elmhurst Beach.

Mr. and Mrs. Sam Pegg enter-
 tained Mr. and Mrs. John Hirst,
 Mr. and Mrs. Dawson, Mr. and
 Mrs. Wm. Davidson and friends
 from Mount Albert at a New
 Year's dinner.

Mr. and Mrs. Sinclair of Ring-
 wood were New Year's day
 guests of their daughter, Mrs. R.
 W. Serriek, and Rev. Mr. Serriek.

Miss Eleanor Mahoney of
 Queensville visited her cousin,
 Miss Bessie Terry, on Saturday.

Miss Winona Perry of Toronto
 spent a week's holidays at the
 home of her aunts, Mrs. S. Ket-
 tels and Mrs. Wm. Mains.

Misses Muriel and Helen Rye
 and Mr. Alvin Pollock of Toronto
 were New Year's guests at Mr.
 Alvin Rye's.

Mr. and Mrs. J. Ritchie Cowan
 of the Dominion experimental
 station, Harrow, Ont., spent the
 Christmas weekend with Mr. and
 Mrs. George W. White. Mrs.
 Cowan remained with her par-
 ents until after New Year's.

Miss Betty Fisher spent a few
 days in Newmarket.

Miss Jean Hopkins of Toronto
 is visiting her parents, Mr. and
 Mrs. John Hopkins.

Miss E. M. Morton spent
 Christmas and New Year's day
 at the home of her brother, Con-
 stable Carl Morton.



THE DEPTH OF RARE BEAUTY

By HARRY HARRISON KROLL

The old man and the young man
 walked in the snowy twilight,
 through a dimness of beauty that
 was so essentially a spirituality.
 "Hello, my boy," said the old man.
 "Hello, my grandfather," said the
 young man, "the most beautiful thing
 that life has to offer a young man.
 She is a supplement to him; a
 complement to his nature."

"I know," David Long nodded.
 A quiet smile played over his
 large features. He was tall, but
 his was a nice grace of youth; one
 would hardly have guessed that
 once he had passed a fevered day and
 time when his parents doubted if
 ever he would walk again, or
 indeed, live at all. Strolling with
 hands clasped behind him in the
 half-light of a wintry evening, with
 a quill moon in a cloud-tossed
 snow night sky, he was splendid
 and strong.

"Ah, yes," the old man added.
 "The right kind of wife, to the
 right kind of man."

"Yes," David said.
 "You are a young preacher, at
 the threshold of a career which, I
 apprehend, will be a great one. I
 do not mean to flatter. I believe
 that word. And your church—this
 church, any church you shall yet
 serve, in the fullness of your fine
 powers and talents—would appre-
 ciate the stability, the excellence,
 that a wife would add to you. Not
 David, that one feels any lack,
 which must be added to. But
 always there is a lack when some-
 thing would make another thing
 more complete. You understand
 my meaning?"

"Ah, yes, and thanks, sir," David
 stopped. They had passed the
 sombre brick church with its
 naked-limbed trees close to it and
 shielding its quiet sanctity.

Brother Northfield smiled. "You
 are stopping here?" He indicated
 the house, near the gate of whose
 wrought-iron fence David slowed
 his pace.

"Yes, sir."

"Hah! Well, well!" A teasing
 music came into the man's voice.
 "I shan't detain you. Good-night,
 David."

"Good-night, sir."

The older man went on into the
 gray dusk while David walked
 with elastic step along the walk
 to the great door. Diffused light
 from the stained windows touched
 him. He rang, waiting with heart
 just a bit quick. He saw a dim
 shadow in the corridor; the door
 opened quickly and there was Sybil
 Remington.

"Ah—David!" Just the slightest
 trace of a catch was in the young
 woman's delicious voice. "Come
 in."

He entered, and looking at the
 girl, he was warmed to a brilliance
 of glow at her beauty. Sybil
 Remington seemed all that any
 man could require of a woman.
 Youth, elastic and expressive
 beauty, with a culture of mind.
 She was a silver blonde with
 exquisite delicacy of tone and
 fashion; yet, when with her, David
 could never escape a certain
 spiritual discomfort. Perhaps this
 was because her father was the
 town's banker; and men who have
 passed their years battling the
 necessity of dollars can never feel
 quite at ease in the presence of
 all that money buys and all that
 money does to people.

"How are you, David?" she
 asked.

"Fine, thanks. And you are
 are—"

"He stopped; it was so
 the tip of his tongue to speak
 frankly of her beauty. "I stopped
 by a moment to say that we've
 arranged for the church Christ-
 mas tree for the program on
 Christmas Eve. And I'm looking
 to you, of course, to decorate it.
 You have such a flare of artistry
 in such matters."

"But I am glad to do it, David,"
 she said. "Won't you come in—"

"Thanks, no. I must run along
 home. Mother's waiting supper-
 dinner."

"He saw a shadow cross
 her eyes. It was an elusive cloud,
 gone almost the instant it ap-
 peared. He caught it once, or
 twice before when he spoke of his
 mother."

"I'm sorry," she said; and so
 her voice let him go.

He walked hurriedly through the
 gloom; the moon was gone into its
 clouds by the time he came to the
 cottage beyond the church. A
 flush of heat met his face as he
 opened the door. Martha Long
 awaited him. She was a rugged
 woman, with oddly round eyes, and
 a curious pallor of skin. One saw
 instantly in her some lineage of
 her son. The mark of patience
 and most like any woman, half
 the time, more than once, in the
 business of this beloved decoration
 their hands had touched. He
 smiled when she was ready to go
 and watched her depart with a
 haunting wistfulness.

Nan appeared at the parsonage
 after lunch and she and Martha
 Long soon went to the church.
 David trailed along behind for the
 first time troubled and upset by
 the impending difference about
 the tree decorating. When he
 went in, Martha Long was short-
 ing. "The newfangled rubbish!"

Almost furiously she began taking
 down the decorations. "I reckon
 I have some ideas about trees of
 my own," she said.

"But it is lovely," Nan insisted
 delicately.

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 and David knew what stark em-
 barrassment and spiritual agony
 was, as these two women who
 loved him took each other's
 measure. Martha's strong urgent
 fingers batted. Nan Emerson look-
 ed on with sober eyes. Sybil
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"Make her stop, David! I com-
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Her fury gave no answer. If she
 even sensed his feelings she gave
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 mother and me. There can be no
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David sensed the situation but
 imperfectly; however, in his man's
 mind he had not yet the experience
 to come to such a decision wisely.
 He acted only as some deep in-
 stinct informed him and waited.
 Sybil gave him one look, and
 flung around.

"Sorry," she bowed. The smile
 died, and she went swiftly out.

Hardly without a flutter, Nan
 Emerson stepped into the rift. She
 took Martha Long's strong brown

A girl leaped from the truck and
 walked with elastic motion up to
 the steps.

"Hello, Nan," David said heart-
 ily, and grinned.

"Did you rouse you from your
 beauty sleep?" she giggled spirit-
 edly.

"Well, from sleep, but not
 beauty sleep."

"Dad," Nan shouted back.
 "Yeah," called a voice from the
 truck.

"David's ready to go with us to
 the church with the tree."

"Okeh! Come along."

David went along with the girl
 to the truck. A great symmetrical
 tree filled the body. Nan Emerson
 climbed in beside her father, a
 robust, honest-faced farmer; David
 slipped in by Nan and the truck
 went around the block to the
 church. There they got out, and
 the three of them, with a common
 hand at competency, unloaded the
 tree and wedged it through the
 swinging side doors into the
 annex. Mr. Emerson knocked the
 needles and snow off him and sur-
 veyed the place.

"There you are. Best tree we
 had. Nan picked it out."

"It's fine. And thanks a thous-
 and times. Mr. Emerson."

David was studying Nan Em-
 erson. She was not a beautiful girl
 at all but health and vitality did
 something to her that was indefi-
 nably lovely.

"How's Mom?" she asked.

"Fine, thanks, Nan."

"Tell her I'll be seeing her this
 afternoon."

"Yes," he questioned.

"Yes. We're decorating this
 tree, you know—your mother and
 me."

"Ah!" David said.

"I'm bringing in the wreaths
 and evergreen festoons and what
 not right after dinner."

"Dinner," David echoed.

She giggled deliciously. "Dinner.
 One o'clock, you know. You know
 it as something else—now." No
 barb was in her voice, no cloud
 in her eyes, as she turned and
 nodded to her father, and the three
 went out into the growing light
 of the fine coming day. The truck
 went away. Nan, looking back,
 waved.

David had returned to the annex
 after breakfast and was working
 to get a base for the tree when
 Sybil came in. He stopped in his
 labor, stunned by some quality of
 fascination in her. She wore a
 white sable coat with dark hat
 and skirt, the contrast giving her
 the air of a Russian princess,
 straight out of some Siberian
 drama. He finally straightened
 the tree while Sybil took the trim-
 mings and small lights she had
 brought and worked the intricate
 wiring in and out not to show.
 She cast every stuff like icicles
 and moss-like snow upon the half
 the tree, which she had completed
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"Mother Martha, what a beauti-
 ful old hand you have." The voice
 was drenched with tenderness.
 "That hand rocked David's cradle.
 At Christmas I know you must
 have had a tree for David, and
 made evergreen wreaths, and de-
 corated it in lovely fashion. For in
 those times they didn't have the
 tinsel and the lights, and lovely
 fragile bells and knobs and other
 decorations."

"No," Martha Long said, but the
 grimness had gone from her old
 face and she looked unasily at
 the door.

"And you didn't know your boy,
 then, was to become one of the best
 of all the young ministers in the
 state. Did you?"

"I knew," Martha said. "I prayed
 that God would touch my baby, and
 God answered my prayer."

"Yes," Nan said softly, gently
 restoring the torn trimmings. She
 nodded for David to fade from the
 scene. He slipped out and away.

When he returned to the annex,
 and looked in, his first thought
 was that Nan and his mother both
 were gone. Entering, he was
 alone with his tangled thought-
 and feelings. He heard a sweet,
 remote sound, and there stood Nan
 Emerson. Her brown eyes were
 so kindly; the light of understand-
 ing in them was so good, that
 David rather broke down.

"You know, Nan," he said. "It
 was all so small, yet it seemed,
 I—I—I." He tried to laugh, but it
 was a confused sound.

"It was both small, and very im-
 portant. You see, I can so well
 get your side. Your mother is a
 lovely woman, fine and tender.
 But she is no longer young, and
 elastic in her heart, in her emo-
 tions, especially her love for her
 boy."

David said. "It is like this, with
 me. I love her. I could not care
 for one who took me, without my
 love for my mother. Let me tell
 you something."

"Well, let's work then, while we
 talk."

"You didn't finish the tree?"

"No," she said. They fell to
 work then; they attached the
 trimmings; they worked with
 small cord making the light pat-
 terns secure, as had been Sybil's
 original design. Once in the twin-
 ing of strings David had another
 measure. Nan went quickly, com-
 pletely about the work. Her eye
 and hand seemed to have an
 artistry that equalled Sybil's; while
 David felt so utterly at peace by
 her side.

"My mother," he said, his voice
 mellow with dignity and love, "of
 course has not the polish, the
 gloss, of townswomen."

"When I was a child, a babe in
 arms, I was stricken by infantile
 paralysis. Little or nothing was
 known about the malady then. But
 mother—well, she may have had a
 vision. There at Smoky Mountain
 was a hot spring, coming from a
 cleft in the solid rock. And there,
 day after day, and week after
 week, she put me in the hot bath,
 and worked with me, counting no
 labor, no effort, as anything but
 joy. There were weeks when I was
 given up to die by all but herself.
 She would not give up. She nursed
 me day and night, year after year
 until hardly a hint, even, of the
 paralysis remains."

"And now," he concluded, "you
 saw the episode. I could not take
 sides with—Sybil."

"But you care for her, David."

"Yes—"

"You love her."

He shook his head. "I cannot
 love anyone who cannot take my
 love for my mother too."

"Let us finish the tree," Nan
 said, her voice curiously tight.

The next day David Long went
 to the jeweller's in town, taking
 with him a bit of cold string.
 The jeweller smiled gently, and to-
 gether they worked out the size
 and setting of the diamond. David
 went away.

The night of the tree the annex
 was packed. Sybil was there; she
 was changed, David thought. Nan
 was there. Martha was there also.
 She who had lived her wisdom and
 her prayer. If she doubted that
 somehow in the upheaval of life
 she was to fail of finding answer
 in her prayers, she was to be mis-
 taken. For one of the unseen
 bearing gifts from the tree, where
 a red, fat Santa Claus played at
 the delightful fiction of having
 just arrived from the north pole on
 a rocket ship, brought a small,
 beautifully tied gift to Nan Em-
 erson, who sat by Martha Long.

Nan undid the binding with
 hands suddenly nervous. She
 opened the box. There in the jam
 of people, she was as alone as if
 the room were empty. When the
 wrapping fell away, she found a
 diamond ring. Her eyes for an
 instant could not rise and she was
 warm with the furious color that
 came from her heart. When she
 looked up, and as if drawn by a
 power without herself to resist, she
 saw David near the tree his arms

MOUNT ALBERT MT. ALBERT COUPLE ARE WED 56 YEARS

Mr. and Mrs. Thos. Watts celebrated their 56th wedding anniversary on Monday. Mr. and Mrs. Watts were married in 1887 at the home of Mrs. Watts' parents, Mr. and Mrs. John Stiver, Scott. They have lived all their married lives in this community, where Mr. Watts was a successful farmer. He retired some years ago and came to the village to live.

Although they do not enjoy good health they still love to visit and can tell many interesting things of past years. They passed the day quietly at their home here where their daughter, Mrs. Haigh, and Mr. Haigh, live with them. Their other daughter, Miss Daisy Watts, is a teacher at Dunnville and their only surviving son, Frank, resides on the home farm at Holt.

Mr. Robt. Harmon of Parry Sound spent a few days at the home of his father, Mr. John Harmon.

Mrs. Pearson, Sr., spent several days in Toronto last week, returning home for New Year's.

Donald Ross of Windsor was in town for New Year's with his aunt, Mrs. Jas. Rennie.

Master Elwood Simpson was taken to York county hospital on Wednesday night for an appendix operation.

Mrs. Russell of Erin spent the holidays with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Jas. Arnold.

LAC Charles Morton was home

with his family for New Year's and will now be sent to Aylmer. The Sunday-school concert will be held on Jan. 5 in the church. A varied program of songs, short plays, etc., will be given by the scholars.

Mrs. B. Cook, who has been staying with her daughter, Mrs. Sinclair, has gone to spend the winter in Toronto with her daughter, Mrs. A. Boe.

Mount Albert

Miss Leek has postponed the recital of her pupils until Easter holidays owing to the condition of the roads.

After a stormy weekend the streets and roads are being dug out but there is little room to turn out and many of the farmers have come back to the horses and sleighs. This part of the country is surely having an old fashioned winter.

The public library board will hold their annual business meeting at the board room on Tuesday at 3 p.m.

The January meeting of the Women's Institute will be held on Thursday at the home of Mrs. W. H. Burgess. Hostesses are Mrs. D. Stokes and Mrs. S. Harper. Roll-call will be "A thought for the New Year."

Pte. Mac Armstrong, who is stationed at Halifax, was home on a short furlough at the end of the week.

The school meeting was held last Wednesday in the forenoon and a small audience turned out to hear the school reports. Harry Leadbetter was elected trustee.

Flight-Lieut. Donald Shields of Brantford R.C.A.F. training school and Mr. and Mrs. Ben Rowen of Toronto spent the weekend with Mrs. P. E. Rowen.

Members of the Horticultural society are asked to keep in mind the annual get-together at the United church on Jan. 20, when John F. Clark of the department of agriculture, will be the guest speaker. His subject will be "The Influence of Horticultural Societies in the Community."

On account of snow-blocked roads Miss Sieman was unable to get back to school until Monday evening.

Mrs. William Rolling was suddenly taken ill on Monday morning and will be confined to bed for a few weeks.

A short time ago Mr. Tilley sent out an appeal for warm clothing for the aid to the Russians. He has met with a wonderful response and will be forwarding it on to headquarters shortly.

The week of prayer is being observed at the United church each evening this week. This will be followed by communion at the morning service on Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Leadbetter, Joyce and Ray spent New Year's at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Jas. Wagg, Goodwood.

Strategic Distribution

Palmetto—What are you cutting that piece out of the paper for?

Playfoot—It tells about a case where a man got a divorce because his wife went through his

MOUNT ALBERT Postmaster At Mount Albert Dies, 47 Years

After an illness of five months, Lyman Franklin Pearson died at his home at Mount Albert on Saturday. Death came rather unexpectedly.

Born at Quaker Hill on Dec. 13, 1895, Lyman Franklin Pearson was the son of Mrs. Frank Pearson of Mount Albert and the late Mr. Pearson. He married Lyla Lapp on July 25, 1928.

Mr. Pearson was for some time a grain dealer. He was recently appointed Mount Albert postmaster. He served on the Mount Albert school board for four years.

Mr. Pearson was a friend to everyone and was always ready to help in any community work. He will be missed in the village.

Besides his wife and mother, two brothers, Clarence, Camrose, Alta., and Horace, Mount Albert, and one sister, Mrs. Frank Ross, Mount Albert, survive.

The funeral service was held on Monday at the home. Rev. W. H. Burgess conducted the service. Interment was in Mount Albert cemetery.

The pallbearers were Harold Kurtz, Bruce McMillan, Joseph Tilley, Geo. Williams, Kenneth Ross and Gordon Ryndard.

DIES SUDDENLY FROM HEART ATTACK

George Abraham Lepard died suddenly at his home on Monday as the result of a heart attack. Born on March 26, 1881, he was the son of Alzina Nugent and Isaac Lepard, Mount Albert. He married Ethel Davis about 43 years ago.

Mr. Lepard moved to Newmarket about 35 years ago, doing general work for a number of years, later working for the Office Specialty Mfg. Co., and the Dixon Pencil Co., with whom he was employed at the time of his death. He was a member of the Friends church.

Mr. Lepard was a member of the Newmarket Lawn Bowling club.

Surviving besides his wife are two sons, Herman of Newmarket and Isaac of Toronto, and four daughters, Mrs. Leslie Johnson (Kathleen) of Washington, D.C., Mrs. Patrick Lynn (Georgina) of Toronto, Mrs. Wilfred Arneim (Beatrice) of Collingwood, and Irene, of Washington, D.C. Three brothers, Milton of Queensville, Stuart of Newmarket and Wm. of Buffalo, and one sister, Floss of Calgary, also survive.

The funeral service was held at the chapel of Roadhouse and Rose on Wednesday afternoon. Rev. J. A. Koffend conducted the service. Interment was made in Newmarket cemetery.

The pallbearers were Milton Lepard, Stuart Lepard, Bert Hunt, Dan. Kenney, Elias Smart and Leslie Johnson.

Pockets. Palmetto—What are you going to do with it? Playfoot—I'm going to put it in my pocket.

PINE ORCHARD

Miss Huldah Starr was the guest of Miss Betty Hope over the weekend.

Alzina Woodhouse spent the Christmas holidays with her sister, Mrs. J. Pfeffer, in Newmarket.

Mr. and Mrs. Harvey Gibney and family of Holt spent New Year's day at the home of Mrs. Will Reid and Mr. Sam Gibney.

Mrs. Albert Lloyd has returned from Mount Albert and is at the home of her daughter, Mrs. Geo. Wood, and Mr. Wood.

The annual meeting of the Pine Orchard school board was held Wednesday morning, Dec. 20, at the school. The trustees for 1943 are Edson Johnston, Geo. Sprouton and Wm. Lundy. The secretary-treasurer is Mrs. B. Dike.

The young people have enjoyed skiing, tobogganing and skating during the Christmas holidays.

School re-opened Monday morning.

The Community club will meet at the home of Mr. and Mrs. B. Dike on Friday evening, Jan. 8.

Mrs. John Reid has returned home after visiting relatives in Toronto.

Mr. and Mrs. R. C. Smith and Aubrey of Newmarket were visitors of Mr. and Mrs. Frank Palmateer on Sunday.

Plans are being made for an evening meeting of Pine Orchard Women's Institute at Bogartown schoolhouse on Jan. 19, with an outside speaker.

Ravenshoe

Rev. Gordon Lapp delivered a fine New Year's message last Sunday at Ravenshoe United church. There was no service on Dec. 27 owing to icy roads. Next Sunday will be communion. All members and friends are cordially invited.

There is plenty of snow and drifts keeping the snow-plows going.

Miss Evelyn King spent the weekend in Toronto.

Ansnoeveld

Miss H. Elgersma of Dundas and Mr. Andrew Elgersma are visiting at the home of Mr. and Mrs. L. Winter.

Miss Jean Nydam is visiting Mr. and Mrs. R. De Boer of Hamilton for a few days.

Miss M. Miedema has left for Toronto where she intends to stay for the winter months.

KESWICK

Holy communion will be observed at the United church morning service on Sunday.

The annual business meeting of the United church will be held on Thursday evening at 8 o'clock. Rev. and Mrs. Gordon Lapp entertained the following out-of-town guests last week: Mr. and Mrs. Morris Cowper Smith, Miss Isobel Rice, of Toronto, and LAC Allan Brown, R.A.F.

Cpl. George Aldridge, at present stationed at Three Rivers, Que., visited Mr. and Mrs. Jack Bains last week.

Perry Winch, Jr., attended a short course at Ontario Agricultural College, Guelph, last week.

The Women's Missionary Society will hold their report meeting on Thursday afternoon.

The subject of Rev. Gordon Lapp's sermon on Sunday evening will be "The Christian Church in Russia Today."

QUEENSVILLE

COUPLE TAKE VOWS NEW YEAR'S EVE

Queensville United church was the scene of a pretty wedding New Year's Eve when Marjorie Jean Smith, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Frederick A. Smith, Queensville, became the bride of Leonard Case, son of Mr. and Mrs. Franklin Case, Mount Albert. The ceremony was performed by Rev. Hugh Shannon. Mrs. J. L. Smith was at the organ. The church was decorated with ferns and yellow 'mums.

The bride, given in marriage by her brother, Mr. Donald P. Smith, wore a white faille gown made with fitted bodice and full skirt, a finger-tip veil falling from a headdress of roses matching her cascade bouquet of pink roses. The bride was attended by her sister, Miss Shirley Smith, as bridesmaid, in an orchid gown of net and organza, shoulder-length veil and headdress of roses. She carried a matching bouquet of yellow roses.

Mr. Arthur Case was his brother's best man and Mr. Lorne Smith and Mr. Wm. Kirton were the ushers.

The reception was held at the bride's home, the bride's mother receiving in a British blue sheer dress and a corsage of Brimble roses. The groom's mother assisted in a rust dress with Tullman roses.

For going away the bride changed to a gold sheer wool suit, muskrat coat and hat with brown accessories and corsage of roses. The couple will live in Toronto.

If you have something you want to sell or buy phone Newmarket 780 to use Era and Express Classifieds.

Willow Beach

Mrs. R. Grant of Port Robinson is spending the holidays with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Percy Reed.

Miss Helen Huntley was home for Christmas and is teaching at Virginia school this week as student teacher.

Miss Mildred Young, another Willow Beach girl attending normal school, will teach in her home school, the baseline school.

A Christmas party was held at Mr. John McNeill's home and a donation was sent to the Canadian Russian relief fund.

Mr. Austin Thayer was visiting friends and neighbors last weekend. Mrs. Thayer is ill in Toronto.

The annual school meeting was held on Dec. 28 in the schoolhouse. There was a poor attendance, showing a lack of interest of the ratepayers. Mie Sedore was re-elected for a third term.

The trustees feel it would be more encouraging if more people turned out to these meetings and vital issues could be talked over, such as the lighting of the school, engaging a music teacher, etc.

Kettleby

Mr. and Mrs. Edgar Black, Mr. and Mrs. Norman Greensides and Sylvia spent New Year's day with Mr. and Mrs. Harry Dale of Schomberg.

Mr. and Mrs. Leonard Black of North Bay were visiting relatives in the neighborhood last week.

Mr. and Mrs. Harry Dale and Mr. Ted Dale of Schomberg visited at Mr. and Mrs. Chalmers Black's last Sunday.

New Year's guests at Mr. and Mrs. Harry Webster's were Mr. and Mrs. S. Barradell and family, Mrs. E. Barradell, Mr. Oliver Thompson, Mr. and Mrs. Jack Davis and family, Aurora, Mr. and Mrs. Wilfred Sloan and Miss Hilda Skinner, Port Credit.

Pleasantville

Miss Margaret Richardson of Aurora visited at the home of her aunt, Mrs. Gordon McClure, over the weekend.

Mr. and Mrs. Ivan Kay and children and Mrs. N. Kay and Lorne had Sunday dinner at the home of Mr. George Hunt.

Mr. and Mrs. Albert Howlett and three boys had New Year's dinner with Mr. and Mrs. Elmer Starr and family.

Mrs. Mary McClure of Newmarket, Mrs. G. McClure and Murray and Miss Dora McClure of Toronto had New Year's dinner at the home of Mr. John McClure.

The Willing Workers meeting has been postponed until Jan. 13 and will be held at the home of

MOUNT PLEASANT

TEN INCHES OF SNOW BLOCK COUNTRY ROADS

Happy New Year to all.

Owing to the illness of Rev. Mr. McCullough, the services were taken by Mr. Maxwell of Toronto on Sunday.

It was quite a surprise to many people on Monday morning to find that nearly ten inches of snow had fallen during the night, filling the roads again. The snowplow had just finished on Saturday night clearing the roads after Wednesday's storm.

Bert Stephens of Espanola was home over New Year's. Mr. Stephens is a veteran of the last war.

Miss Iva Stiles, R.N., is spending the holidays with her sister, Mrs. Bernard Davidson.

The Mount Pleasant people were shocked to hear of the death of Lyman Pearson of Mount Albert on Saturday. Mr. Pearson, along with his parents, resided at Mount Pleasant a number of years ago on the farm now owned by Wm. Hamilton.

The Mount Pleasant congregational meeting will be held at the home of Bernard Davidson on Saturday evening at 8 o'clock.

RECEIVE LETTERS OF THANKS FROM BOYS

Yesterday being Epiphany it was marked at the weekly Wednesday evening service of prayer and intercession for war at St. Paul's Anglican church. At all services last Sunday special prayers were said in connection with the world day of prayer.

The W. A. will hold their devotional and business meeting next Thursday afternoon when they will make arrangements for a W. A. tea held later in the month. Letters of thanks are coming in from the recipients of the Christmas parcels sent to all men in the services both overseas and here in Canada.

BUY ARENA

Bradford voters approved by a majority of 198 the purchase by the municipality of the skating arena for \$2,300. Despite the fact that there was no municipal election and a heavy snowfall had blocked the side streets, more than 30 percent of the electors voted.

Mrs. G. McClure. The regular meeting of the Bogartown Community club will be held at the schoolhouse on Friday evening at 8:30. This will be in the form of a crokinole party. Members are asked to please bring tables and crokinole boards.

Snowball

Christmas visitors at the home of Mr. Albert Barr were Mr. and Mrs. Walter Robinson and son, Tommy, Toronto, Mrs. Robinson, Aurora, Mr. and Mrs. Frank Marritt, Keswick, two daughters and son, Edwin, of the R.C.A.F., and Mr. and Mrs. Nelson Purvis and son, David, Cannington.

New Year's visitors at the Barr home were Mrs. T. K. Ferguson and Miss Ferguson, Aurora, Mr. and Mrs. Harry Ferguson, Toronto, Mr. Leo Cull, Newmarket, Miss Helen Haines and Miss Barbara Starkey, Aurora, and Mr. Howard Haines, Snowball.

Mr. Keith Smith spent Christmas holidays with Mr. and Mrs. Bert Smith.

Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Brown of Newmarket spent New Year's with Mr. and Mrs. Jas. McMorris.

New Year's visitors at Mr. and Mrs. Roy Haines' home were Mr. and Mrs. Ivan Kay and family and Mrs. Norman Kay and Lorne, Pleasantville, and Mr. and Mrs. Hall and George, Sharon.

The Women's Institute meeting, which was postponed last week, was held at the home of Mrs. Davison on Wednesday.

VIVIAN

Few turned out to the school meeting last Wednesday. The trustees were re-elected as follows: Matthew Gilchrist, secretary; Geo. W. McCormack and Harry Shackman.

Mrs. A. Neilson was hired as caretaker for another term.

The Y. P. meeting was postponed last week to Thursday evening. It was to have taken the form of a "watch night" service, but owing to blocked roads few were able to get out.

Miss Nora Gray of Toronto spent the New Year holiday and weekend with her sister, Mrs. W. Hood.

Misses Flora Neilson, Joan Gray and Lorraine Payment spent part of their Christmas holidays in Toronto.

Garfield Brown, who has been training with the parachute troops in the United States, has been home on leave and with his sister visited friends in the community last week.

Mr. and Mrs. Bram Reed, Mr. Frank Fisher, Mr. and Mrs. John Mitchell and Miss Gertrude Mitchell were Sunday supper guests at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Fockler.

Mr. Rowan delivered another splendid sermon on Sunday night.

The congregations have been smaller than usual these last few weeks owing to travelling conditions. There was another heavy snow storm Sunday night which made travelling heavy again. Stanley Ramaika started to

work for Harry Ratcliff last week.

Several in the community have had bad colds.

EPIPHANY

By GOLDEN GLOW
Epiphany or "Old Christmas," Jan. 6, yesterday, is one of the major festivals of the Christian church and in some countries it is still kept as the day of Christ's birth, although it has been definitely established from old Jewish archives, that were taken to Rome after the destruction of Jerusalem, that the correct date is Dec. 25.

Our western church, since then, has always celebrated Dec. 25, and "Old Christmas," Jan. 6, is celebrated as Epiphany, the manifestation of Christ to the Gentiles in the persons of the "three wise men" of scripture, showing that Christ was also the Saviour of the other nations besides the chosen race, Israel. And, of course, the star of Bethlehem is very prominent in the story of the Three Kings of the Orient.

Incidentally, tradition has it that all Christmas decorations should come down now. Christmas is over on Epiphany, Jan. 6, and by no means have any left after twelfth night, for also according to tradition, it brings bad luck to that house.

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